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GOP Blocks Oil Windfall Tax

Senators shelve Democrats' plan targeting Big Oil profits

WASHINGTON | Saved by Senate Republicans, big oil companies dodged an attempt Tuesday to slap them with a windfall profits tax and take away billions of dollars in tax breaks in response to the record gasoline prices that have the nation fuming.

GOP senators shoved aside the Democratic proposal, arguing that punishing Big Oil won't do a thing to lower the $4-a-gallon-price of gasoline that is sending economic waves across the country. High prices at the pump are threatening everything from summer vacations to Meals on Wheels deliveries to the elderly.

The Democratic energy package would have imposed a 25 percent tax on any "unreasonable" profits of the five largest U.S. oil companies, which together made $36 billion during the first three months of the year. It also would have given the government more power to address oil market speculation, opened the way for antitrust actions against countries belonging to the OPEC oil cartel, and made energy price gouging a federal crime.

"Americans are furious about what's going on," declared Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D.

But Republican leaders said the Democrats' plan would do harm rather than good — and they kept the legislation from being brought up for debate and amendments. H. JOSEF HEBERT (AP)

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A Sydney, Australia, judge halted a drug conspiracy trial Tuesday after some jurors were found to have been playing the puzzle game Sudoku while evidence was being presented. The trial of two men for drug conspiracy charges had been running for 66 days and had cost taxpayers an estimated $950,000. The judge was alerted after jurors were observed writing vertically, rather than horizontally. It had been assumed they were taking notes. The foreman admitted to the judge that four to five jurors were playing puzzle games for up to half the time the trial had been going. (AP)

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Catfish Namesakes Are the New Nobels

Frank Gallagher spent 37 years as a mail room supervisor at a natural science museum — so long that he used to joke he should be part of the collection. Now he is. Rhinodoras gallagheri is a new species of catfish named by scientist Mark Sabaj Perez at the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia. Sabaj Perez, who manages the museum's collection of 1.3 million fish, said he was impressed by Gallagher's dedication, love for fellow employees and keen interest in science. "I simply thought, 'Here is a guy who should be honored with his own catfish,'" Sabaj Perez said in a statement Monday. (AP)

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Web Turf

A willow tree is seen fully covered with the work of the so-called Spinning Moth in Nijmegen in the Netherlands this week. The moth, scientifically known as Hyponomeuta padellus, is actually a butterfly that produces a huge number of eggs. The caterpillars coming out from the eggs spin their silk while eating the tree's leaves. (The spinning is not harmful to trees.) (EXPRESS)

MONUMENTS

Statue Gets Huge Platform Heels

She may be diminutive, but the fiery leader of India's most populous state has no patience for short statues of herself. Mayawati, the 5-foot-tall chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, ordered officials to replace a 12-foot-tall bronze statue of herself with a larger one because it was three feet shorter than nearby statues of other leaders. The new likeness of Mayawati on the banks of the Gomti river stands 15 feet tall and weighs 20 tons — the same as the three others with which it stands. Mayawati goes by only one name. (AP)

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IT ADDS FLAVOR: Authorities in Simsbury, Conn., have a mystery on their hands: a raw roasting chicken stuffed with a pipe bomb. The explosive poultry was discovered on a roadside Friday by a passing motorist. The police department's bomb squad had to blow it up.

Nation

ISPs Agree To Restrict Child Porn

Verizon, Time Warner, Sprint will block Web site access nationwide

ALBANY, N.Y. | Internet providers Verizon, Sprint and Time Warner Cable have agreed to block access to child pornography and eliminate the material from their servers, New York's attorney general said Tuesday.

The companies also will pay $1.1 million to help fund efforts to remove the online child porn created and disseminated by users through their services, Attorney General Andrew Cuomo said. The changes will affect customers nationwide.

Cuomo

Investigators said they found 88 newsgroups devoted to child pornography in an investigation over six to eight months. More than 11,000 images were collected using software that identifies child pornography, Cuomo's office said.

Cuomo said the companies acted immediately when told of the concern.

"People are very creative, and there is a market for this filth," he said. "We have to work together."

MICHAEL GORMLEY (AP)

Ex-Military Leaders Get VP Look

Obama considering picks that could boost security credentials

WASHINGTON | Barack Obama is considering former top military leaders among his possible running mates, according to senators who met Tuesday with the Democratic presidential candidate's vice presidential vetting team.

North Dakota Sen. Kent Conrad told The Associated Press that the team asked him about potential candidates from three broad categories — current top elected officials, former top elected officials and former top military leaders.

Conrad

"We talked about many names," Conrad said, including "some that are out of the box, but I think would be very well-received by the American people, including former top military leaders."

A running mate from the military ranks could help address concerns that Obama lacks foreign policy experience, having served just three years in the Senate. It could also provide a counterpoint to the military bonafides of the Republican ticket, which will be led by Vietnam war hero John McCain.

Obama has a three-person team managing the vetting process that includes one-time first daughter Caroline Kennedy, former Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder and Jim Johnson, the former CEO of mortgage lender Fannie Mae.

"I sensed from this meeting that they are still very much building the list and at the same time evaluating possibilities," Conrad said. "It's very clear they have reached no conclusions, not even tentative conclusions."

Johnson and Holder also met with North Dakota's other Democratic senator, Byron Dorgan, who confirmed that former military officials were discussed, along with a "good many names" of other potential candidates. (AP)

MAYSVILLE, IND. | NO GROUND IN SIGHT

MICHAEL CONROY/AP

RIVER HOME: A farm is surrounded by water from the White River Tuesday in Maysville, Ind. The Midwest continues to fight massive flooding from heavy weekend storms. In Wisconsin, engineers and National Guard teams were examining dams Tuesday for signs of water damage. A dam in Lake Delton, Wis., collapsed Tuesday, sweeping away homes.

Hiker Climbing Mount Rainier Dies in Blizzard

LONGMIRE, WASH. | A hiker died on Mount Rainier and two others were awaiting rescue Tuesday at Camp Muir, high on the volcano's flank, officials at the national park said.

Ranger Sandi Kinzer the three went on a day hike Monday and got caught in a blizzard on the Muir snowfield.

Officials hoped to get a helicopter to the scene Tuesday evening or early Wednesday if weather permitted, park spokesman Kevin Bacher said. The three were described as two men and a woman in their early 30s, all from Bellevue, east of Seattle. Two had reached the summit of Rainier previously, Bacher said. (AP)

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Wedding Boom Out West

Report: Legalization of gay marriages will boost Calif. economy

SAN FRANCISCO | The flowers have been selected, the Veterans' Memorial Center has been booked, and the three-piece band has been chosen. The e-invitations have gone out. The brides — and there will be two of them — might not have time to buy something new to wear, but that's OK.

Shelly Bailes and Ellen Pontac, who have been together for 34 years, do not want to wait a day longer than necessary to tie the knot now that California's Supreme Court has legalized gay marriage. They had five weeks to plan a June 21 reception for 250 people.

"We should have been ready, but we weren't," Pontac said with a laugh. "We are taking care of all the details we can, and no matter what happens, we know we will have good company and good music and food and drink."

The gay marriage ruling could give a big boost to California's sputtering economy, with thousands of same-sex couples from across the nation expected to converge on the state when the decision takes effect June 16. Hotels, restaurants, florists and other wedding services are reporting a flurry of business.

"The good news for California is that in the face of probably the worst budget problems the state has ever faced, the LGBT wedding industry is going to be a financial shot in the arm," Jeffrey Pang, mayor of West Hollywood.

A study issued this week by UCLA's Williams Institute for Sexual Orientation and the Law projected that gay men and lesbians will spend $684 million on cakes, photographers and other services over the next three years unless voters reverse the high court's ruling in the fall. LISA LEFF (AP)

MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ/AP

Urbano Reynoso, owner of Urban Flowers in San Francisco, works on an arrangement Tuesday. Same-sex weddings could give a boost to California's economy.

Calif. Fires Burn 30 Homes, Hurt 2 Firefighters

STOCKTON, CALIF. | Wind-driven fires ignited in the brush along an interstate burned at least 30 homes and slightly injured two firefighters on Tuesday, a city spokeswoman said.

Paramedics treated some residents for smoke inhalation, but no one had been taken to a hospital, city spokeswoman Connie Cochran said. The two injured firefighters quickly returned to the fire lines, she said.

Fire officials have not determined a cause of the blazes.

National Weather Service meteorologist Jason Clapp said the flames were driven by a north wind with gusts up to 30 mph. Stockton is about 50 miles south of Sacramento. (AP)

Gates: Military Must Be Open to Criticism

Defense secretary says branches must listen to outside scrutiny

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILL. | The entire military — not just the newly reoriented Air Force — must learn to accept criticism from outside its ranks, Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Tuesday.

Speaking to about 500 airmen at this base just east of St. Louis, Gates said it is well known that the military services make good use of internal reviews of their performance in order to improve and to correct problems.

"However, I have noticed that none of the services easily accept honest criticism from outside their branch, or scrutiny that exposes institutional shortcomings," Gates said. "This is something that must change across the military."

Gates

Gates offered no specific examples of other branches of the military's resisting outside criticism, but his remark followed his decision last week to fire Air Force Secretary Michael Wynne and the Air Force chief of staff, Gen. Michael Moseley. Gates said the shake-up was a regrettable but necessary response to Air Force failures in the performance of its nuclear mission. ROBERT BURNS (AP)

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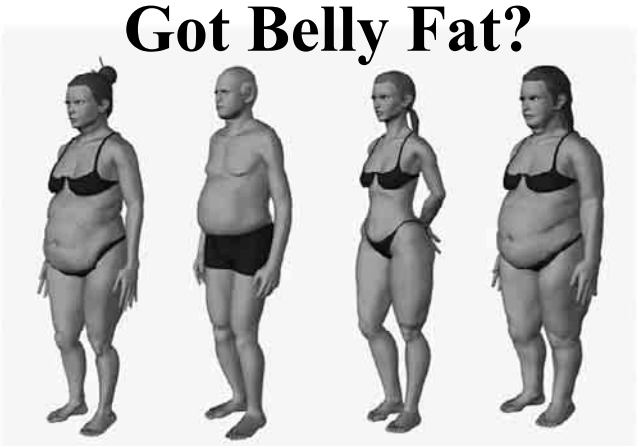

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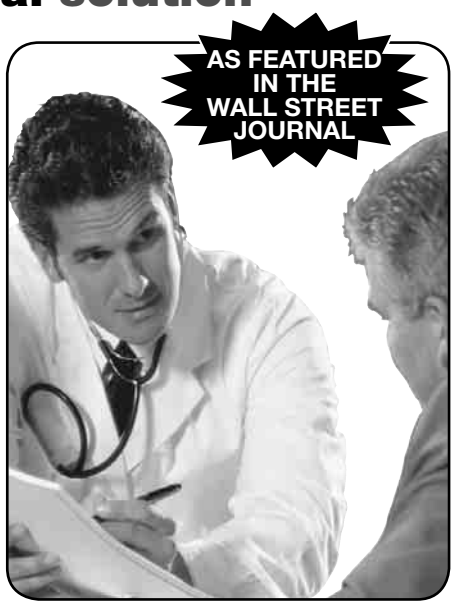

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Security Cleared Professionals in Great Demand

By Carol Sorgen

No matter what the current economic forecasts are, jobseekers who hold a security clearance enjoy bright prospects, especially if they offer employers a combination of technical skills, interpersonal abilities, and industry knowledge.

"The economy does have some impact on a job search, but there is always uncertainty in the marketplace," says Kathleen Smith, CMO of ClearedJobs.Net, a Northern Virginia-based firm that links security cleared jobseekers and employers with security cleared positions, both in the Washington metropolitan area and nationwide as well.

That said, there are always positions available, adds Smith, especially for security cleared professionals. That's because the number of people who hold a security clearance is still far lower than the number of cleared jobs available.

Of course, even if the odds are in your favor, a jobseeker needs to research the job market and types of positions available, have an effective resume, and network at functions such as ClearedJobs.Net monthly job fairs (the next fair is scheduled for June 11 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Crystal City).

In addition to attending job fairs, jobseekers who hold a security clearance can take advantage of ClearedJobs.Net's suite of services offered at no charge, including job researching, resume writing, and resume posting, as well as other services such as newsletters and career coaching.

In a tight economy, it helps to offer employers more "bang for their buck," says Smith. You may have the technical skills needed to work, say, in the IT field, but what about your "soft skills," such as interpersonal skills, the ability to write and speak clearly, and customer-relationship building skills.

"Future IT leaders know they need these skills to ascend the ranks," says Smith, pointing out that the ability to manage up, build relationships, and understand business strategy are deemed critical for professional advancement.

"If you have these soft skills or develop them, you will be able to maintain your success," agrees Patricia A. Frame, founder of Strategies for Human Resources in Alexandria. Frame is a regular presenter at ClearedJobs.Net job fairs. At the upcoming June 11 job fair, Frame will present seminars on: How to Work a Job Fair; Interviewing to Succeed; Dollars, Distance and Getting in the Door; and The Conversational Dance: Events, Job Search, and Your Success.

To find out if you have what employers are looking for in today's marketplace, says Frame, do your own personal soft skills/competencies audit:

- Which skills do you need in your current job?
- What do you know about the need?
- How would you evaluate yourself on each skill you need?
- How would your boss evaluate you on each?

Then assess the skills needed for other positions that interest you, says Frame. Look at position descriptions or job ads to consider both promotions within your current organization which interest you and external opportunities.

Once you have assessed your current competencies versus needed ones, develop a plan, Frame advises:

- Pick one competency you want to work on.
- Identify your goal and what steps are needed to achieve it. Keep the steps small but be specific.
- Put in a timeframe.
- Identify how you will know you have achieved your goal. That is your measure of success.

Next, ask others for help. "Soft skills by their nature involve working with others, so you need others to help you develop yours," Frame suggests. Share your plan with your boss, a mentor, or a talented co-worker and ask for their assistance and feedback.

Then it's time to practice. Ask your co-workers, a mentor, or friend for feedback and specific information on what you did well and what still needs work. "Often keeping a record of what you have tried and what results you got will help you to keep going and to improve," Frame advises.

Finally, tackle another area. "No, it never ends," says Frame. "Not if you want to succeed at work or in life."

For more information on ClearedJobs.Net, including details on the upcoming job fair on June 11, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the DoubleTree Hotel in Crystal City, visit the company's website at www.ClearedJobs.net or call 703-871-0037.

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SPOT THE OBVIOUS PUN: George Chandler of Shawnee, Kan., says he is feeling fine after taking a 2.5 inch nail to the skull. Chandler was working on a project when the nail gun accidentally went off, shooting into his head. Chandler said a doctor used a common claw hammer to remove it.

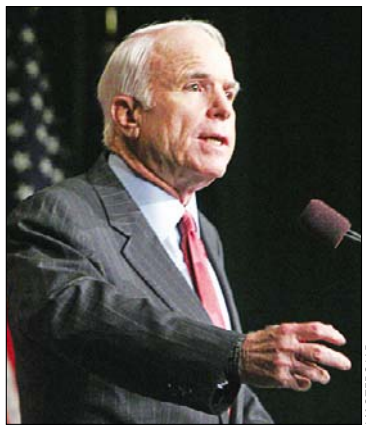
McCain: Obama Bad for Business

Republican addresses rival's proposals at small business summit

WASHINGTON | Republican John McCain said Tuesday that Democrat Barack Obama is bad for business as the presidential rivals appealed to voters worried about lost jobs, rising gas prices and other economic woes.

One day after Obama hammered him on the economy, McCain told small business owners the presumed Democratic nominee's economic proposals would hand them higher taxes and steeper overhead costs. He also criticized Obama for pledging to renegotiate the 1994 North American Free Trade Agreement, which is credited for record exports by Republicans but blamed for job losses by many Democrats.

"You work hard in small businesses to grow and create new jobs and opportunities for others," McCain told a Washington gathering of the National Federation of Independent Business. "The federal government shouldn't make your work any harder."



LM OTERO/AP

John McCain speaks Tuesday at the National Small Business Summit.

> "I don't want to send any more of your earnings to the government."
>
> JOHN MCCAIN

Obama, speaking in St. Louis, Mo., defended his proposals and called McCain's remarks misleading. He said he would eliminate the capital gains tax "for the small businesses and startups that are the backbone of our economy."

His income tax plans, Obama said, would cut taxes for 95 percent of U.S. workers, while rolling back tax reductions for the highest-earning 5 percent.

Economic issues have taken center stage in the presidential race, with many Americans staggered by gasoline prices.

McCain said small businesses would bear the brunt of Obama's proposed tax increases. He called for phasing out the alternative minimum tax and allowing businesses to write off some new investments.

"I don't want to send any more of your earnings to the government," McCain said. (AP)

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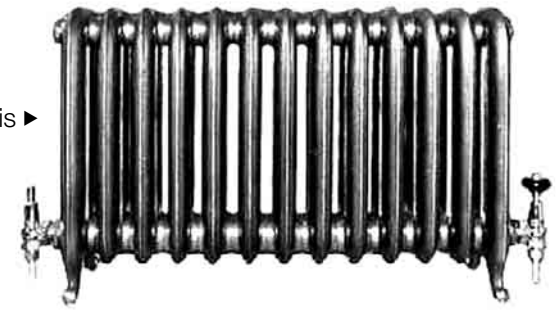

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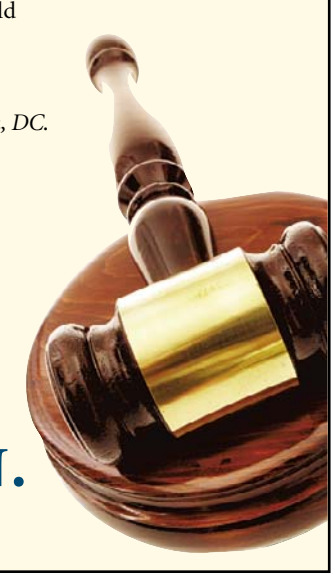

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Dozens Killed in Sudan Plane Crash

Jetliner carrying 203 travelers lands, then bursts into flames

KHARTOUM, SUDAN | A Sudanese jetliner landed in a thunderstorm and veered off the runway Tuesday, bursting into flames and killing dozens of people, Sudanese officials said.

Official and state media said immediately after the crash that about half the 203 passengers aboard the Airbus A310 had been killed in the crash around 9 p.m. But several hours later, officials began reporting a lower toll.

One flight attendant said the crew had evacuated the passengers from the plane.

"Thank God we were able to get all the passengers out," said Sarrah Faisal, her voice shaking as she spoke to Sudanese TV from a stretcher, wearing a plastic neck-brace. She gave no more details.

Deputy parliament speaker Mohammed al-Hassan al-Ameen said the death toll was "about 30 people." Police spokesman Mohammed Abdel Majid al-Tayeb said five bodies had been pulled from the wreckage, 100 people were safe and an unspecified number were hospitalized.

ABD RAOUF/AP

Rescuers assist survivors of a plane crash in Khartoum, Sudan, Tuesday.

Sudanese television footage showed a hellish scene, with orange flames dwarfing firefighters and towering above the shattered fuselage. Ambulances and firetrucks rushed to the scene.

Sudan has a poor aviation safety record. In May, a plane crash in a remote area of southern Sudan killed 24 people, including key members of the southern Sudanese government. MOHAMED OSMAN (AP)

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President Bush walks with German Chancellor Angela Merkel on Tuesday.

EU Heads, Bush Set Iran Plan

President wins support from Europeans over possible Iran sanctions

KRANJ, SLOVENIA | President Bush claimed progress Tuesday in his drive to stop Iran from developing a nuclear bomb, winning European promises to tighten pressure on Tehran with U.N. sanctions and possibly other new penalties.

Bush, attending the final United States-European Union summit of his presidency, is working against time to secure one of the top foreign priorities of his presidency: halting Iran's presumed ambition to become a nuclear-armed nation.

Bush seemed to get closer to that goal in talks with EU leaders on Tuesday.

A joint declaration said the U.S. and Europe "are ready to supplement those [previous] sanctions with additional measures" if Iran does not halt enrichment. It also said they would "work together ... to ensure Iranian banks cannot abuse the international banking system to support proliferation and terrorism."

It was unclear whether this second pledge meant Europeans had signed on for the kind of harsh measures the U.S. favors or merely represented a repeat of previous calls for closer monitoring of dealings with them. JENNIFER LOVEN (AP)

In Brief

CARACAS, VENEZUELA

Chavez Changes Stance On Controversial Spy Law

Hugo Chavez has tossed out a controversial intelligence decree that would have forced Venezuelans to become informants and spy on their neighbors or face prison time. President Chavez says the National Assembly will draft a new law from scratch in response to resounding criticism. He says "errors" were made in the decree that must now be corrected. But he denies that his government is on the defensive; he said Tuesday that this is a simple matter of fixing a mistake. (AP)

YANGON, MYANMAR

250 U.N. Experts Start To Assess Myanmar's Needs

Hundreds of experts began assessing the needs of Myanmar's cyclone victims Tuesday as the country's military junta finally gave them access five weeks after the disaster. Over 10 days, about 250 experts from the U.N. will determine how much food, water and shelter the 2.4 million survivors need, along with the cost of rebuilding homes and schools. (AP)

WHO KNEW? Mexican archaeologists said Monday they have found the remains of a palace once inhabited by the emperor Montezuma in what is now Mexico City. (AP)

JUNG YEON-JE/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

South Koreans hold candles during a demonstration against a planned resumption of U.S. beef imports in Seoul on Tuesday.

80,000 S. Koreans Protest U.S. Beef

Entire Cabinet offers to resign over crisis sparked by import plan

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA | About 80,000 protesters gathered in South Korea's capital Tuesday in the largest demonstration yet against the planned resumption of U.S. beef imports, as the entire Cabinet offered to resign in the uproar over the policy.

President Lee Myung-bak's office did not say whether he would accept the resignations, an attempt to defuse the beef crisis that has paralyzed his government less than four months after the former Hyundai CEO took office following a landslide election victory.

The government agreed in April to lift almost all restrictions that had been imposed on imports of U.S. beef over fears of mad cow disease. Protesters have been demanding for weeks that the government scrap or renegotiate the beef deal amid perceptions it did not do enough to protect citizens.

The demonstrations began after a popular TV program questioned the safety of U.S. beef and claimed Koreans are more susceptible than Americans and Europeans to the human variant due to genetics.

About 21,000 riot police were deployed to keep order, the Seoul Metropolitan Police Agency said. HYUNG-JIN KIM (AP)

20 | **The number of years a firefighter** in Japan drove trucks and ambulances without having a license, according to a report by Agence France-Presse on Tuesday.

World

LIU JIN/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

People watch water flow in the Fujiang River in Mianyang, China, on Tuesday after soldiers drained a quake-formed lake.

China Drains Quake Lake

Party leader declares victory after soldiers ease pressure on dam

CHENGDU, CHINA | Water churned through a drainage channel and engulfed empty towns Tuesday after Chinese soldiers blasted away the debris that kept an earthquake-formed lake threatening more than a million people downstream.

Sichuan province's Communist Party chief, Liu Qibao, declared "decisive victory" after more than half the 66 billion gallons of water was drained off by early evening, easing pressure on a dam formed when the quake triggered a landslide of mud, rocks and other debris, the official Xinhua News Agency reported.

More than 250,000 people had already moved to high ground due to concerns that the dam holding back Tangjiashan lake could break.

Fearful that the possible deluge would endanger refugees and residents, China ordered soldiers and police to work nonstop for four days to dig a diversion channel and blast away the debris with dynamite, bazookas and recoilless guns.

State broadcaster CCTV showed water flowing quickly out of the lake, flooding low-lying areas of the devastated town of Beichuan just below. Residents from the area had been evacuated days earlier.

The swirl of muddy water roaring past towns and villages swept along trees, barrels, television sets, refrigerators "and the occasional dead bodies of quake victims," Xinhua reported.

Towns downstream remained on alert for possible flooding, in case the water breached unstable banks. AUDRA ANG (AP)

RESERVE BURIES PANDA

- Wolong, the world's most famous panda reserve, on Monday held a funeral for 9-year-old Mao Mao, a female panda who was killed by the earthquake.
- Another Wolong panda, Xiao Xiao, is missing.
- Forty-seven other pandas still live at the reserve. (AP)

Israeli Airstrike Kills 3 Palestinians

JERUSALEM | An Israeli airstrike killed three Palestinians firing mortars at southern Israel on Tuesday, while Israel's leaders debated whether to pursue a truce with Gaza's Hamas rulers or launch a broad military offensive against militants in the coastal strip.

The attack came after militants bombarded Israel with 20 mortar rounds in an hour. Hamas said the strike killed three members of one of its mortar squads.

At the time, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, Defense Minister Ehud Barak and Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni were discussing what to do about Gaza. With four Israeli civilians killed in attacks this year, Israel's leadership is under pressure to do something about the near daily assaults. (AP)

HEARSAY | IRAQ PACT

"We're focused on plan A because we believe plan A can succeed. ... We think it's an achievable goal."

—DAVID SATTERFIELD, THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S TOP ADVISER ON IRAQ, EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE IN BAGHDAD TUESDAY THAT THE U.S. AND IRAQ WILL FINALIZE A SECURITY DEAL BY JULY.

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Money

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A salmonella outbreak in 17 states has been linked to three varieties of tomato. The health scare is coming just as many farmers put their harvests on the market.

Tomato Scare Has Growers Panicking

Farmers fear major losses if salmonella source isn't found soon

FRESNO, CALIF. | As tomatoes blush a deep red in farms and gardens throughout the country this week, growers are panicking that a 17-state salmonella outbreak linked to raw tomatoes could shrivel up their summer market.

On Tuesday, federal authorities cleared fresh tomatoes grown in Florida and California of any responsibility in the national food poisoning scare, which has sickened 167 people since April.

Just three varieties — red plum, red Roma and round red tomatoes — are thought to have caused the illnesses.

But farmers said the list of safe-to-eat varieties still isn't enough to convince consumers that tomatoes are safe for salads and salsas.

"Even though our tomatoes are safe, we know consumers are going to stay away from our product this year," said Jack King, the California Farm Bureau Federation's national affairs manager.

The scare had already done significant economic damage to growers, grocers and restaurateurs, Florida Agriculture Department spokeswoman Liz Compton said.

> "Even though our tomatoes are safe, we know consumers are going to stay away."
>
> JACK KING, CALIF. FARM BUREAU

If consumers stop buying tomatoes, Florida's tomato industry could lose more than $40 million, said Doug Archer, associate dean for the Institute of Food and Agricultural Science at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

And if the federal government takes weeks to uncover the source, those numbers could climb higher, industry experts warned.

"This is a nightmare for growers. This is right when their product should be coming to market, and everyone is saying don't buy it," said Jaydee Hanson, a policy analyst at the Center for Food Safety. (AP)

HISTORIC HIKE: While historic Ford's Theatre is closed for renovations this summer, the theater is offering new scripted walking tours detailing Lincoln's assassination that extend beyond the site where Lincoln was shot. The 1.4-mile tour runs from Ford's Theatre to the White House.

Local

In Brief

Gilmore began his Senate bid by calling Mark Warner a "limousine liberal."

RICHMOND, VA.

Gilmore Opens Senate Race With Attack on Foe Warner

Republican Jim Gilmore has opened his Senate race by attacking Democratic foe Mark Warner. Gilmore called Warner an "elite limousine liberal" and "piranha" hungry for tax money during a speech to a small crowd at the Capitol on Tuesday morning. The combative former governor repeatedly hit Warner for breaking a 2001 campaign promise by raising taxes $1.4 billion. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Md. Nurse Sentenced for Role in Affair Extortion Case

A 30-year-old nurse who had an affair with the husband of Nigeria's former finance minister has been sentenced to 20 months in prison for helping to extort $185,000 from the husband to keep their relationship a secret. A federal judge sentenced Queen Nwoye, of Laurel, Md., on Monday. Prosecutors say Nwoye and a partner threatened to reveal her past affair with neurosurgeon Ikemba Iweala. Iweala is married to Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, a high-ranking World Bank official and former finance minister of Nigeria. (AP)

FALLS CHURCH, VA.

Funeral Home Fined for Operating Without License

Authorities say a Northern Virginia funeral home has been fined and placed on probation. The National Funeral Home in Falls Church was cited by the Virginia Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers for keeping inadequate records and an unsanitary preparation room, and for operating without a license or manager. (AP)

Metro Derailment Details Released

Operator traveled over half a mile not knowing train was off the track

The operator of the Orange Line that derailed Monday traveled for more than half a mile without realizing anything was wrong until being alerted by another Metro employee, a veteran supervisor who happened to be riding the train, General Manager John B. Catoe Jr. said Tuesday.

If the supervisor had not flagged the problem, "clearly there would be more damage to the track bed area," said Metro spokeswoman Lisa Farbstein. There were no injuries in Monday's incident and the 412 passengers were safely evacuated from the six-car train.

Although Metro's investigation is not complete, Catoe said he had no reason to believe operator error was involved.

Catoe credited improved communication by Metro personnel and riders who stayed put for the relatively smooth evacuation.

DOMINIC BRACCO II/TWP

Commuters crowd the Rosslyn Metro station after a train derailment Monday.

Catoe said he believes he knows what caused the derailment but did not want to elaborate until all tests are completed.

Officials said the track and third rail, which powers the trains, were undamaged. But some parts of the track had loose hardware, according to a knowledgeable Metro source who did not want to be identified for fear of retaliation. Farbstein said it was not clear whether the hardware became loose before or after the derailment.

LENA H. SUN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

IN The Washington Post | HILLMEAD HOME REJECTED AS SHELTER

SUSAN BIDDLE/TWP

NOT WELCOME: The Montgomery County Council Tuesday rejected a proposal to turn a Bethesda house, above, into a shelter for a homeless family of 13. The debate highlighted the issue of whether the county is willing to welcome needy residents. ✤ **More grass:** The county plans to tear down the house to create more neighborhood parkland. | **Today's Metro**

D.C. Police Turn Away Nearly Half At NE Checkpoint

WASHINGTON | District of Columbia police say they turned away about half of the 50 cars that tried to pass through a new vehicle checkpoint Saturday.

The checkpoint was set up Trinidad, a neighborhood struggling with gun violence.

According to police, motorists who said they were visiting a relative were turned away at the checkpoint if they didn't provide the relative's phone number so officers could verify their claim.

One person was arrested for driving with an open container of alcohol.

Police have said the checkpoints will run for at least five days. Civil rights groups have threatened legal action if anyone's constitutional rights are violated. (AP)

MARC Apologizes for Service Delays

BALTIMORE | The Maryland Transit Administration is apologizing to customers for recent delays and cancellations of MARC trains.

Officials blame weather and unforeseen problems for the disruptions.

The agency says intense heat caused a kink Monday on the Camden line that created delays on that line and slowed the delivery of repaired Penn line and Brunswick line locomotives. Without those engines, two Penn line departures from D.C. had to be canceled. Ongoing track work and heat-related freight train congestion backed up traffic on the Brunswick line.

Camden line service was canceled early Tuesday after a tanker truck spilled fuel near tracks in south Baltimore between the MARC train yard and Camden station. (AP)

The Lotteries

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Mid-day Pick 3	5-8-6
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Mid-day Pick 4	5-6-3-7
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The Hills Are Alive ...

... with the sound of opera in one small Colo. mountain town

DESTINATIONS | At almost 8,500 feet in the Rockies, it can take a few breaths to walk up Central City's steep granite hills lined with Victorian homes, souvenir shops — and an opera house that has served 19th-century gold miners as well as modern-day visitors.

For almost a century and a half, Central City and other Colorado mountain towns have been alive with the sounds of opera. Partly because of its opera house, Central City, up Clear Creek Canyon some 40 miles west of Denver, is a national historic district and such a marvel of local history one can almost hear the Cornish miners singing.

But Central City Opera is not just a relic of the past. It is a vibrant, popular arts venue, with nearly 24,000 tickets sold in 2007 and a record $1.25 million in sales. The opera hopes to bring in as much or more business this summer, with performances of Benjamin Britten's "The Rape of Lucretia," a new production of Leonard Bernstein's "West Side Story," and American composer Carlisle Floyd's "Susannah," the story of a woman accused of immorality and shunned by a rural Tennessee community.

CENTRAL CITY OPERA/AP

About 150 opera houses were built in Colorado between 1860 and 1920. Thirteen, including Central City's, are still in operation.

Still, the opera has its roots in the rough and tumble mining days of the 19th century. European immigrants to towns like Central City brought their musical traditions with them. A town's mark of civilization included having a sheriff, a courthouse and an opera house. In Central City, opera supporters in the town of 3,000 raised $12,000 in 1878 to hire a Denver architect to design the building and $23,000 to build it over Eureka Creek.

"They hankered for some kind of civilized lifestyle that would ameliorate their loneliness and the drudgery of the work they were doing," said Charles Ralph, a Colorado opera historian. "Having entertainment, especially coupled with attractive people, mainly female, was exactly what they wanted."

ROBERT WELLER (AP)

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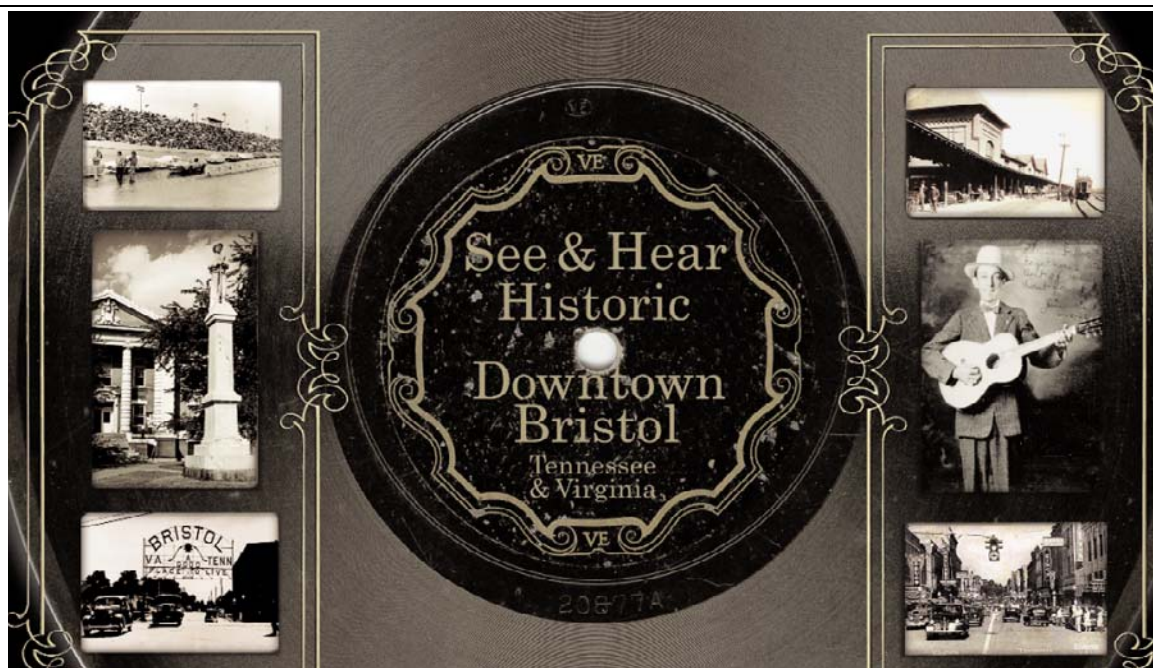

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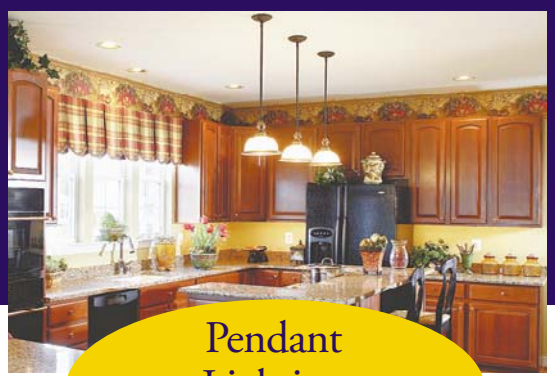

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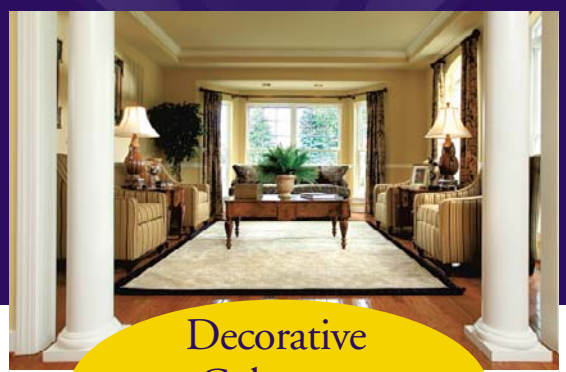

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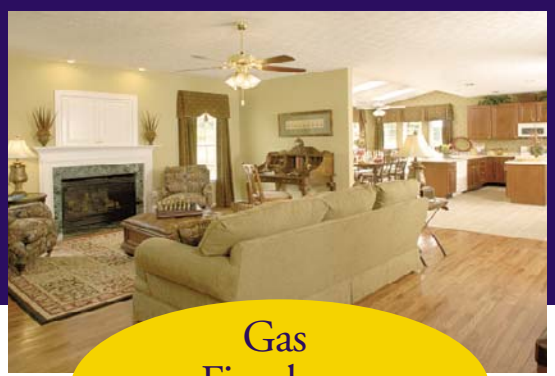

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Beijing 2008

Sports

Hat Trick Helps Spain to 4-1 Victory

Spaniards are in good position to advance after beating Russia

EURO 2008 | David Villa was a master of understatement after making the biggest statement of the European Championship on the field.

Villa scored three times Tuesday in Spain's resounding 4-1 victory over Russia, a win that confirmed the Spaniards as a team to beat at the European Championship.

"Three goals, a hat trick with the national team — it's started well," said Villa, who scored the tournament's first hat trick since Patrick Kluivert of the Netherlands in 2000. "We're off to a good start. But there are still two games to go."

Despite the slick field, the Spaniards looked superb with their footwork and passing. They threatened often in winning their seventh straight match, and are riding a 17-game unbeaten streak. If Spain plays anywhere near as efficiently in its next matches, it could go unchallenged in Group D.

JON SUPER/AP

Spain's Cesc Fabregas, second from left, reacts after scoring on Russian goalie Igor Akinfeev for the fourth and final goal in his team's 4-1 rout on Tuesday night.

Fernando Torres fed the streaking Villa for a right-footed shot in the 20th minute for the first goal. The striker slid Andres Iniesta's slick pass under goalkeeper Igor Akinfeev for his second in the 44th. Villa completed his memorable game after dribbling around Roman Shirokov in the 74th to shoot past Akinfeev with his right foot.

Russia's goal came from Roman Pavlyuchenko long after things were decided.

"When I think of Villa, it's a name that makes me think of scoring," coach Luis Aragones said. "The Spanish team has the luck of having players that can score. It could be Villa today or Torres tomorrow."

Torres had been replaced by the time Villa completed his big game. Torres had been replaced by the time Villa completed his big game. So, Villa ran over to the bench to pay tribute to Torres.

"He had a very important game and he is a key player to us, so I wanted to dedicate that third one to him," Villa said. PAUL LOGOTHETIS (AP)

Euro '08 Standings

GROUP	COUNTRY	GP	PTS	+/-
A	Portugal	1	3	2
	Czech Republic	1	3	1
	Switzerland	1	0	-1
	Turkey	1	0	-2
B	Germany	1	3	2
	Croatia	1	3	1
	Austria	1	0	-1
	Poland	1	0	-2
C	Netherlands	1	3	3
	France	1	1	0
	Romania	1	1	0
	Italy	1	0	-3
D	Spain	1	3	3
	Sweden	1	3	2
	Greece	1	0	-2
	Russia	1	0	-3

WEDNESDAY'S MATCHES

- Czech Republic vs. Portugal, noon, ESPN2
- Switzerland vs. Turkey, 2:30 p.m., ESPN2

THURSDAY'S MATCHES

- Croatia vs. Germany, noon, ESPN2
- Austria vs. Poland, 2:30 p.m., ESPN2

'04 Champion Greece Loses '08 Opener, 2-0

EURO 2008 | Sweden's Zlatan Ibrahimovic found his long-lost scoring touch and defending champion Greece fell victim to it, losing to Sweden 2-0 Tuesday night in the European Championship.

Ibrahamovic

Ibrahamovic had had no international goals since October 2005 before connecting with a powerful right-footed shot in the 67th minute for his 19th goal for Sweden. Central defender Hansson had a rebound of a shot from Fredrik Ljungberg deflect off his body and into the net while two Greece defenders and Nikopolidis desperately tried to clear the ball.

Greece, an 80-1 shot when it won the tournament in Portugal four years ago, started with seven players from that winning squad. But it showed little offense and never really threatened once if fell behind. KARL RITTER (AP)

Course Gets the U.S. Open Makeover

Torrey Pines looks a lot different than it did as the host of the Buick

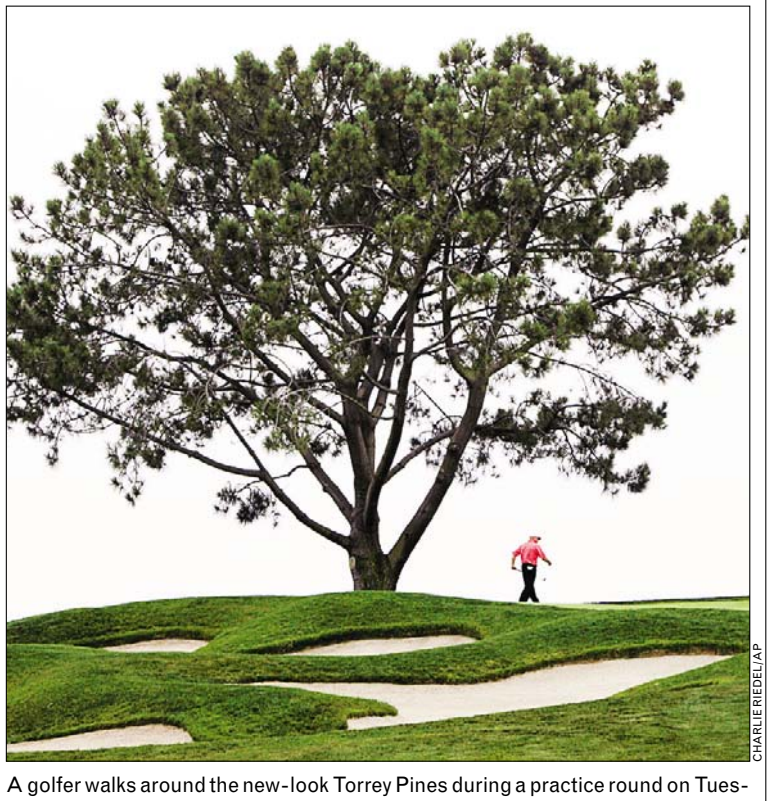
U.S. OPEN | Ben Crane has played at the Buick Invitational four times, enough to know his way around. So when he drove up to Torrey Pines for the U.S. Open, he was surprised when a guard stopped him from going into the parking lot.

"I told him, 'I'm here for the U.S. Open,'" Crane said Monday afternoon. "And he told me the parking lot was on the driving range. I thought, 'Man, there's going to be a lot of broken windshields.'"

Sunshine gave way to a soupy skies late in the afternoon, a cool ocean breeze felt refreshing. That was familiar.

But it doesn't take long for players to realize that they might be in on the same course, but this isn't the same tournament.

The U.S. Open begins Thursday on the South Course at Torrey Pines, a city-owned golf course that has been home to the PGA Tour since 1968.



CHARLIE RIEDEL/AP

A golfer walks around the new-look Torrey Pines during a practice round on Tuesday. The course will be more difficult than it is as host of the Buick Invitational.

The rough is lush. The greens are firm. Tiger Woods won by eight shots at Torrey Pines in January, posting his three rounds on the tough South Course in 11-under par. Fat chance of that happening this week.

Even so, those who are regulars at Torrey Pines expect to have a slight advantage, even if they can't find the parking lot (now on the range), the driving range (occupying the fourth and 10th holes of the North course) or the locker room (no longer in the lodge, rather a trailer behind the new parking lot).

Torrey Pines will play as a par 71 because the sixth hole has been converted to a par 4.

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"It's fair," Crane said. "This is the best setup I've seen in the last couple of years."

How that translates to a U.S. Open remains to be seen. Angel Cabrera won last year at Oakmont at 5-over 285, and Geoff Ogilvy won the year before at Winged Foot with the same score, winning a major without once breaking par in any round.

"Guys will have an advantage if they've been here," Crane said. "But they can make this as tough as they want to." DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

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Sports

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Lakers fan Sergio Lopez shows off his L.A. tattoos before Sunday's Game 2.

Lakers Fans Get Rap as Passive

City always turns up the volume when its team is in the playoffs

NBA FINALS | It's summer in Southern California and the car antennas are in full bloom with purple and gold. That can mean but one thing: the Los Angeles Lakers are in the hunt for an NBA title.

Lakers fans may appear to be a laid-back bunch much of the year, but that changes when the team lands in the NBA finals. Lakers pennants go up on car antennas from the streets of Beverly Hills to the barrios of East L.A., and names like Magic and Bird and Wilt and Russell return to the public lexicon.

"They're two legendary teams with legendary players," said John Kuderna, who has been around long enough to witness more than a few of the 11 classic Celtics-Lakers finals. But not long enough that he couldn't still arrive at the Staples Center in full Lakers uniform two hours before Sunday night's Game 2, being played 3,000 miles away.

On Monday, ticket brokers were asking as much as $56,000 apiece for courtside seats to Sunday's possible Game 5 at the Staples Center. By contrast, said Don Vaccaro, who runs TicketNetwork.com, comparable tickets to the Boston games were going for $8,000 to $10,000.

Kuderna rattled off the names of Laker greats present and past: Magic Johnson, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain, Jerry West and Elgin Baylor. Then, he gave a shoutout to Celtics forward Larry Bird.

It's that type of respect that has some outsiders thinking Lakers fans aren't true die-hards.

"I don't know about that," said Eddie Shanteri of Los Angeles. "Everywhere I go with my Lakers pennant on my car, people honk at me. And they smile." (AP)

Late Game

→ Game 3 of the Celtics-Lakers series ended after Express' deadline. Get results plus analysis from Michael Wilbon. | **Today, Sports**

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Donaghy Letter Implicates Others

NBA | A disgraced NBA referee says his fellow refs broke league rules by routinely fraternizing with players, coaches and team management.

A letter filed Tuesday in Brooklyn by a lawyer for Tim Donaghy in his federal gambling case alleges the inappropriate relationships influenced the outcomes of games. He claims one general manager in 2004 made a phone call to referees to encourage them to call more personal fouls. The letter doesn't name anyone involved. The veteran referee pleaded guilty last year to felony charges. (AP)

Sports

Big Debate: Where Will Griffey Rate?

A day after hitting HR No. 600, slugger dodges the hot topic

BASEBALL | A day after hitting No. 600, Ken Griffey Jr. held off pondering where he might finish on the career home run list — or where he could end up playing this season.

There has been ample speculation the last-place Reds might try to trade the 38-year-old once he reached his homer milestone.

"It's not up to me," Griffey said Tuesday, though he does have the power to veto deals. "It's a two-way street. I haven't thought about it."

Griffey was back in the starting lineup against St. Louis, a night after he homered in the Reds' 9-4 win at Florida. The right fielder joined Barry Bonds, Hank Aaron, Babe Ruth, Willie Mays and Sammy Sosa as the only players with 600.

The Reds hung a 54-foot-tall banner near the entrance at Great American Ball Park to honor Griffey's achievement and plan to pay tribute to him on June 17.

Griffey began the night hitting .260 with seven home runs and 29 RBIs. The 13-time All-Star is in the last year of his contract with the hometown Reds. Cincinnati holds an option on him next season at $16.5 million.

AL BEHRMAN/AP

The Reds hung a 54-foot-tall banner at the ballpark and will honor Ken Griffey Jr.

"When I stop having fun and can't do it any more, that's when I'll give it up," he said. "I've done everything you can do as far as individual accomplishments, except win a batting title. The team goals are still the same. ... The one thing I haven't been able to do is stay as healthy as I wanted to."

Even so, teammate Adam Dunn said Griffey's homer total is hard to comprehend. A slugger himself, Dunn has 254 home runs in just under seven full seasons.

"It's kind of like Bill Gates' money," Dunn said. "I can't fathom how much that is." (AP)

Detroit Sends Willis to Single-A

BASEBALL | The Tigers sent struggling Dontrelle Willis down to Class A on Tuesday, hoping the former star lefty can find his control.

Detroit optioned Willis to Lakeland a day after he matched a career high by giving eight earned runs in 1 1/3 innings against Cleveland.

Willis (0-1) has walked 21 batters in 11 1/3 innings. The 8-2 loss to the Indians came in his second start since going on the disabled list.

Detroit signed Willis to a $29 million, three-year deal after getting him in a trade last winter with the Florida Marlins. (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

NATIONALS (7 P.M. ON MASN2) John Lannan, who has been one of the Nats' best starters, gets the nod against the Pirates.

ORIOLES (7 P.M. ON MASN) The Orioles are at Fenway Park for a three-game series with the Red Sox.

SOCCER (NOON AND 2:30 P.M. ON ESPN2) The group phase of Euro 2008 continues with the Czech Republic playing Portugal and Switzerland playing Turkey.

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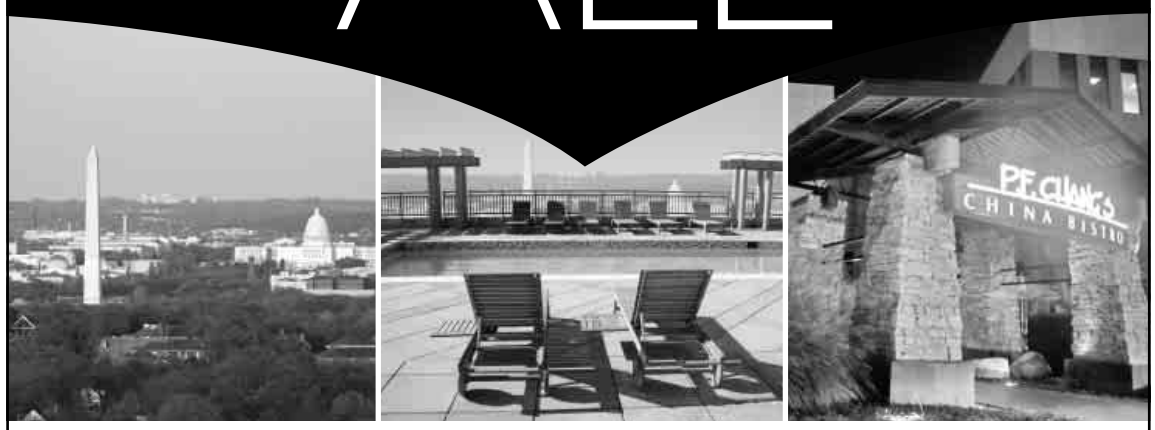

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Sports

Big Brown Trainer Blames Jockey

Dutrow says his horse looks fine, so it must have been a bad ride

HORSE RACING | Trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. still blames Kent Desormeaux for Big Brown's stunning last-place finish in the Belmont Stakes, but he wouldn't object to the jockey's riding the horse in his next race.

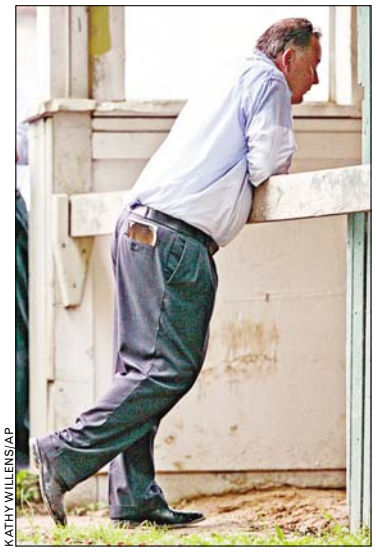
The decision of whether to change jockeys is up to co-owner Michael Iavarone, Dutrow said.

"I don't want to hurt anyone, especially Kent," Dutrow told The Associated Press on Tuesday morning in his barn at Aqueduct. "But I still don't understand what happened. I don't see the horse with a problem, so I have to direct my attention toward the ride. That's all I can come up with."

With Big Brown's trying to become the first Triple Crown champion in 30 years after dominant wins in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, Desormeaux eased up the unbeaten colt with a quarter-mile remaining in the Belmont on Saturday.

"I had no horse. He was empty," Desormeaux said after the race.

Dutrow insisted Tuesday he had found nothing wrong with Big Brown.



KATHY WILLENS/AP

Trainer Rick Dutrow said he thought jockey Kent Desormeaux did a bad job.

"Maybe next week if something starts going wrong with the horse, then I'll understand everything," he said. "As long as the horse stays the way that I see him right now, then things are just going to keep building up for me to know that it was the ride that did him in."

He said he hadn't spoken to Desormeaux, but "if he calls me, I'll talk to him, sure."

If Big Brown is healthy, the plan is for him to run next in the Travers Stakes on Aug. 23 at Saratoga.

RACHEL COHEN (AP)

MLB STANDINGS

THROUGH JUNE 9'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Boston	40	26	.606	—	26-6	14-20
Tampa Bay	38	26	.594	1	24-10	14-16
New York	32	32	.500	7	18-15	14-17
Toronto	33	33	.500	7	16-14	17-19
Baltimore	31	31	.500	7	17-11	14-20
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT.**	**GB**	**HOME**	**ROAD**
Chicago	37	26	.587	—	20-9	17-17
Minnesota	31	33	.484	6.5	19-16	12-17
Cleveland	29	35	.453	8.5	16-16	13-19
Detroit	26	37	.413	11	14-16	12-21
Kansas City	25	39	.391	12.5	12-16	13-23
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT.**	**GB**	**HOME**	**ROAD**
L.A. Angels	39	26	.600	—	18-14	21-12
Oakland	34	29	.540	4	21-15	13-14
Texas	32	33	.492	7	17-16	15-17
Seattle	23	41	.359	15.5	14-19	9-22

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Philadelphia	39	26	.600	—	21-13	18-13
Florida	34	29	.540	4	20-14	14-15
Atlanta	32	32	.500	6.5	25-11	7-21
N.Y. Mets	30	32	.484	7.5	17-11	13-21
Washington	25	40	.385	14	14-21	11-19
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT.**	**GB**	**HOME**	**ROAD**
Chicago	40	24	.625	—	26-8	14-16
St. Louis	38	27	.585	2.5	21-13	17-14
Milwaukee	33	30	.524	6.5	19-10	14-20
Houston	32	32	.500	8	16-11	16-21
Pittsburgh	31	33	.484	9	19-14	12-19
Cincinnati	31	34	.477	9.5	19-10	12-24
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT.**	**GB**	**HOME**	**ROAD**
Arizona	34	30	.531	—	21-12	13-18
L.A. Dodgers	30	33	.476	3.5	18-15	12-18
San Fran.	29	35	.453	5	13-19	16-16
San Diego	28	37	.431	6.5	18-17	10-20
Colorado	24	39	.381	9.5	14-15	10-24

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Eco-Poser SUV

Subaru Forester does not live up to green romanticism of brand

STAGNANT | The Forester, introduced in 1997, was one of those magical alignments of timing, marketing, product and zeitgeist. Even the name was perfect: Forester, a tree-hugging alternative to SUVs, which were just then feeling the sting of the cultural-political backlash against them. Here was a versatile and practical all-wheel-drive wagon — the first crossover, really — that could get the kayaks and mountain bikes where they needed to go and didn't make you feel flatulent with carbon emissions. I don't think a Subaru radio can even pick up Rush Limbaugh's show.

A decade later, and with gas at more than $4 per gallon, not being an SUV is an extremely good business move.

While the Forester didn't have anything to do but grow, the new Forester isn't as lovably compact as before, if indeed you loved it. The payoff is much more legroom, and bigger and more convenient rear door openings.

Because the rear suspension has been changed to a fairly compact unequal-length A-arm design, the rear cargo area has opened up and now ranks among the biggest in its class of compact crossovers. Fold down the 60/40 rear seats and it's like Carlsbad Caverns back there.

Here's the problem for Subaru going forward: With its carefully cultivated audience of progressives, Subaru really should have more fuel-efficient technologies on deck.

The boxer four, turbo or otherwise, is by no means the most efficient small-displacement engine out there (and emissions are a problem, too). Where's the high-efficiency diesel option? Where's the hybrid Forester? Why isn't this company capitalizing on the green romanticism of the brand?

DAN NEIL (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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Subaru's 2009 Forester is less distinctive looking than past models. Yet, the original crossover does not have a hybrid model or a high-efficiency diesel option.

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REAL WHEELS

I was very impressed with the Nissan Murano before I found out you had to use premium fuel. Are there any plans for 2009 to change to regular fuel?

The Murano "recommends" premium as opposed to requiring it. That's "recommended for best performance," which means you can use lower grades in that one. But consumers should take seriously the word "required" when it shows up in an owner's manual next to fuel grade. That usually happens in vehicles with turbocharged, supercharged or other high-compression engines. Do not use lower-grade fuels in those.

Would you go for the '08 Ford Escape Hybrid or wait for the '09?

Go for the '08. The technology on the '09 is not substantially different. The battery, I think, remains nickel-metal-hydride. And the electric portion of the drivetrain still does its best work in stop-and-go urban traffic. Take the '08 and a price break.

When I first learned about the smart cars in Europe a few years ago, I saw that they had a roadster version. How come I don't see these models in the U.S.?

The car business is, well, a business. Smart, a Mercedes-Benz subsidiary, is smart enough to understand that an America long enthralled with all things big can't be trusted to show the same affection for something as small as a Smart car. So, the company has begun gingerly here — first introducing the gasoline Smart ForTwo, which is sold out for 2008. Other versions of the Smart ForTwo are likely to appear, including a "micro hybrid drive" gas-electric model that works wonderfully well, and, maybe, a Bosch diesel model. Roadster and other sports Smarts will come if America demonstrates that it is smart enough to remain committed to efficient motoring.

Smarts will come if America demonstrates that it is committed to efficient motoring.

It seems that when the manufacturers "improve" their cars for the next model, they tend to make it bigger or put in a larger engine. Both usually require more fuel. Why can't they make the cars lighter on subsequent versions for better fuel efficiency?

The truth is that most manufacturers won't do a darned thing their consumers don't ask for. Why do cars get bigger in the United States? How can I say this inoffensively? The next time you are waiting for a hamburger at McDonald's, or parked at a rest stop in Ohio, kindly observe the girth around you.

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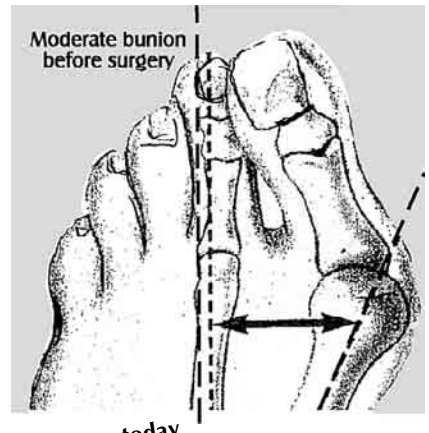

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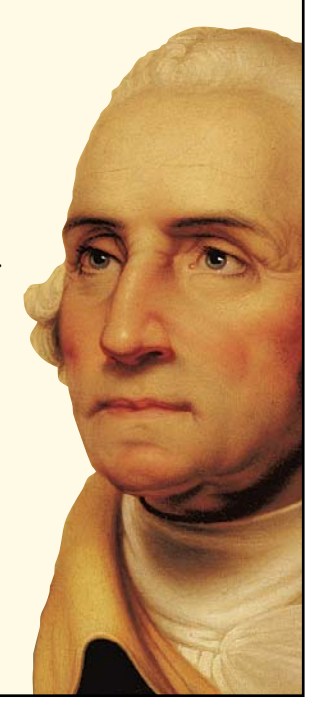

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WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD: An 800-word prequel to the "Harry Potter" series, penned by J.K. Rowling, was auctioned for charity last night for a high bid of $48,858. That's $59 per word. Rowling says she is not working on an actual prequel.

Entertainment

It's 'Happening' Again

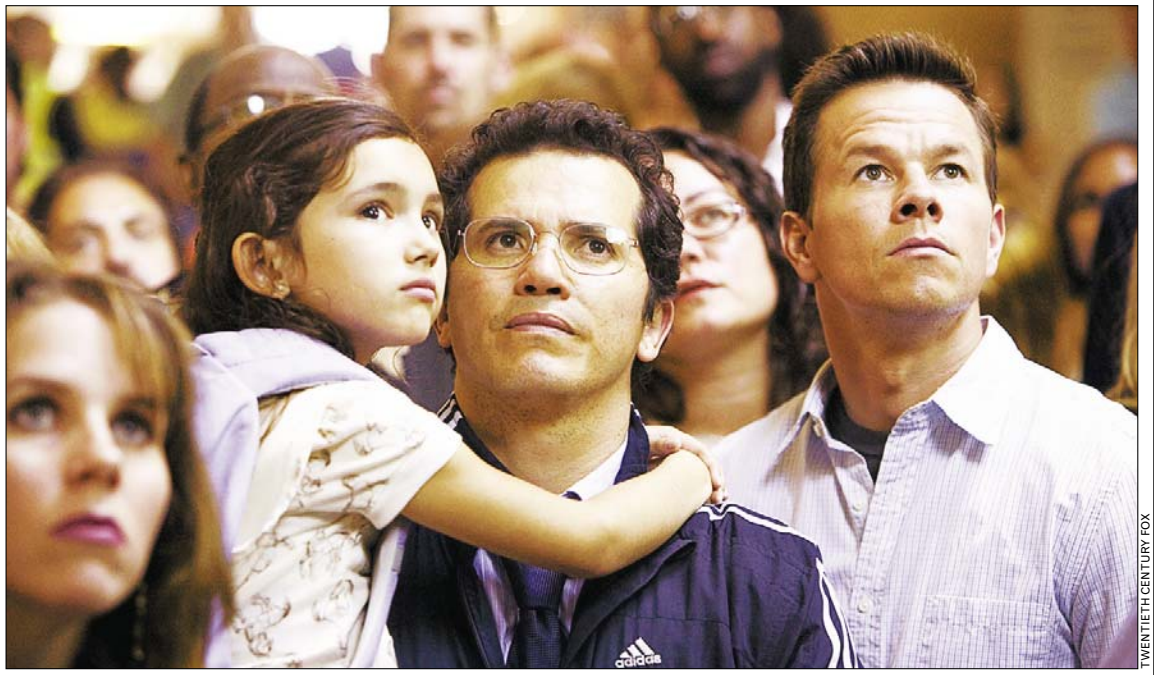
After a flop, M. Night Shyamalan returns, now sadder but wiser

RENEWAL | He describes the experience of making "Lady in the Water," the biggest flop of his career, as something akin to stripping off all his clothes and running outside to have the world collectively laugh at him. But in a good way.

M. Night Shyamalan, the 37-year-old film director who shot to fame with "The Sixth Sense" in 1999, is not talking about large-scale humiliation but rather personal empowerment — the freedom that comes from giving up concern about other people's expectations.

"I'm sick of feeling like I hope the cool people like me," he says. "You know that thing you do when you're in school? And you're in your mid-30s and you go, 'I'm sick of feeling this way.' And you have this urge to take all your clothes off and run outside and say, 'Make fun of me. Are we done? Is that it? Good, let's go on with our lives.'

Shyamalan occupies an unusual place in the pop-culture pantheon. He's a writer-director, an auteur of popcorn films, who has turned his own idiosyncratic brew of horror, psychology and spirituality into a global brand.



TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

OR ARE THEY WATCHING THE JUMBOTRON? Mark Wahlberg and the rest of the world wait for answers in "The Happening."

If Shyamalan had been just another writer-director, "Lady in the Water," released in 2006, would be considered an arty misstep on the tortuous path of originality. But the film, a fractured fairy tale about a water nymph, engendered outright vitriol. One could think of "The Happening" as a calculated rebound. Yet, Shyamalan insists he doesn't operate that way. In fact, he wrote "The Happening" before "Lady in the Water" was even finished.

It's one of those movies where the less you know, the scarier it is, and "The Happening" begins with a bang: People stop frozen in New York City's Central Park and then begin inexplicably killing themselves with a kind of stunned matter-of-factness. Is it an airborne toxin? Global warming gone vicious? The mass psychosis spreads like a virus through the Northeast as humans scamper to outrun the threat.

Yet, the terror is wrapped up in a reconciliation drama between a young couple played by Mark Wahlberg and Zooey Deschanel. "It's a normal day in their kind-of-troubled marriage," Shyamalan says. "And then this thing happens. And if you got to the point where you knew in the next minute you were going to be dead — you get one last conversation. What do you say to each other? That's what the movie ultimately is about." RACHEL ABRAMOWITZ (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

And the Top Chef Is ...

BRAVO

Stephanie's grasp of flavor might catapult her through the glass ceiling.

One lucky culinary competitor takes the prize tonight on Bravo

FEMINISM | After a long and heated season, the moment of truth has arrived. Who will be crowned "Top Chef" this week?

Stephanie, Richard and Lisa are the last cheftestants standing and were shipped to Puerto Rico for the finale along with Antonia, who was sent home last week for her dry pigeon peas. Although we have discounted Lisa every week, she is somehow still on the show.

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Stephanie is something of an underdog, what with Richard's masterful techniques and his bold culinary moves. But Stephanie has been more consistent and wows the judges in almost every episode. Yes, Richard has earned more creativity points, but, as demonstrated by Dale's butterscotch scallops, sometimes creativity ends in disaster.

Stephanie's bold flavors, calm demeanor and ability to make dessert (which may be a huge asset) usually make her meals spot on in terms of taste and presentation. This might not be the year of the first female president, but it very well may be the year of the first female Top Chef. KARMAH ELMUSA (EXPRESS)

Today's Top Stops

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WYATT CUSICK

LOVE IS ALL

Sugar Rush

1 Swedish indie-punk group Love Is All has more energy than a barrelful of hamsters on Adderall. But it's not obnoxious! Their weirdness is charmingly Scandinavian — and you know how much we love anything Scandinavian — so feel free to revel in their strange sunglasses and silly lyrics. Expect a lot of love songs, but nothing sad. With Videohippos.

→ *Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; 9 p.m., $12; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)*

THE BREEDERS

Sister Act

2 Twin sisters Kim and Kelley Deal are responsible for the Breeders, one of the best alternative rock bands to survive for two decades.

→ *9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; 7:30 p.m., $25; 202-265-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)*

PAUL ROBERTS

I Can Haz Food?

3 Paul Roberts, author of "The End of Food," will share his mildly depressing but extremely well-informed thoughts on the global food crisis in a talk at the Washington Ethical Society tonight. There will be a reception after the program, so you might even get some free food (and irony) in the bargain.

→ *Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th St. NW; 7:15 p.m., free; 202-882-6650. (Silver Spring)*

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Entertainment

FEED THE PLAYWRIGHTS: The National Endowment for the Arts is contributing $280,000 to the development of new plays. It will fund seven plays altogether, including five in the germinal stage. D.C.'s own Arena Stage is coordinating the program.

They Are the 'Future'

Despite their elite education, these two guys have street cred

COLLEGE BOYS | Before any substantive discussion of why the Los Angeles-based power pop duo Chester French should be taken seriously as one of the fastest rising "It" bands, the group's members would like to dispel certain Ivy League misconceptions about them.

Granted, singer D.A. Wallach and multi-instrumentalist/arranger Maxwell Drummey graduated from Harvard University last spring. But they're not "the next Vampire Weekend" (as some online pundits have called them). Whereas the Columbia University alumni in that indie band lean toward an African-inflected alterna-rock, Chester French is all about wry-yet-rockin' '60s-accented narrative pop.

Their shimmering songs can conjure Dr. Dre and the Kinks, psych rock and surf music, while sounding totally modern.

Most important, though, even with the band members' academic pedigree and profoundly Caucasian racial profile, never assume that Chester French is anything less than totally down with the streets.

PHOTO COURTESY INTERSCOPE

The band is named for Daniel Chester French, architect of the Lincoln Memorial.

> "Unlikely white dudes are hot in hip-hop at the moment."

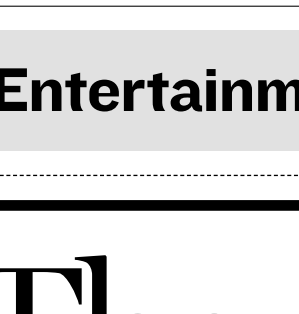
"Most of our fans — we've really had a lot of folks who, from the best I can tell, are primarily fans of hip-hop," Wallach said. "I think that's really cool."

The group's profile in the hip-hop world was super-sized when word leaked that three of urban music's foremost shot callers — Kanye West, producer-rapper Pharrell Williams and So So Def Records label chief Jermaine Dupri — took part in a frenzied bidding war to land the rights to Chester French's new album, "Love the Future" even before the band had graduated.

"Hip-hop has been a music with an entrenched understanding of authenticity; there was a stigma associated with listening to anything that seemed counter to it in any way," Drummey said. "But at this point, those lines don't exist. And there's starting to be more of both a critical and artistic recognition of that fact."

"Unlikely white dudes are hot in hip-hop at the moment," said Jonah Weiner, senior editor at Blender magazine. "They're, like, a must-have."

CHRIS LEE (LOS ANGELES TIMES)



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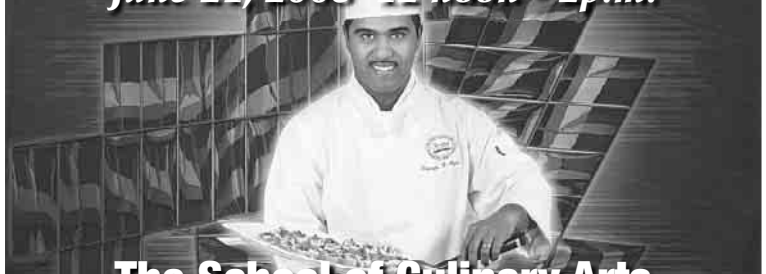

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AND SHE IS DEFINITELY NOT GOING: Hudson gets back to her first love: singing.

Turn the 'Spotlight' On Music

'Idol' alum, distracted by Hollywood, finally releases a new single

AWAITED | Jennifer Hudson may have taken longer than fans wished before officially announcing the release of her self-titled debut album, due out Sept. 30 via Arista Records. But early chart movement indicates it might've been worth the wait.

Hudson's lead single, the Ne-Yo-penned and Stargate-produced "Spotlight," has jumped 99-63-51 in its first three weeks on Billboard's Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs chart.

Ne-Yo notes there were challenges in choosing which song to introduce Hudson with but says he's "really, really proud" his song was picked for the job.

"They were really trying to figure out where to take her," he says. "The main issue with Jennifer Hudson is her voice is so huge, so how do you take that and radio-ize it, make it radio-friendly? She can't do ["And I am Telling You I'm Not Going" from "Dreamgirls"] every song because you'll eventually be tired of it. So, ["Spotlight"] is kind of a classy mid-tempo, and I hope and pray it does well because Jennifer is an amazing talent."

According to Arista's Senior Vice President of Marketing and Artist Development Scott Seviour, the track is intended to not only tide fans over until the fall album release but capitalize on Hudson's role in the "Sex and the City" film, which opened with $55.7 million in U.S. theaters, according to the Hollywood Reporter. Its soundtrack, with the Hudson track "All Dressed in Love," debuts this week at No. 2 on the Billboard 200.

"When songs of this nature catch on, they call out for a long time," Arista Senior Vice President of A&R Larry Jackson says. "We're hoping this will be the case here. We're putting out another single to further whet the appetite of fans with respect to what lays with the album."

While a follow-up hasn't been chosen, some tracks in contention are the Timbaland-produced "Pocketbook," featuring Ludacris and "Can't Stop the Rain," also written by Ne-Yo.

"'Spotlight' is playing in such big markets that jumps are expected," Seviour says. "I think we're on track, and we're very pleased." MARIEL CONCEPCION (BILLBOARD)

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AT LEAST IT'S NOT SPENCER PRATT: Brody Jenner of "The Hills" is getting his own MTV series. Ryan Seacrest will produce six episodes of "Bromance," in which Jenner searches for the perfect "regular guy" to add to his entourage.

Television

ON TV TONIGHT

DOUBLE DOSE OF KNOWLEDGE!
National Geographic reels off a gullibility doubleheader, airing **CONSPIRACY MOON LANDING** (8 p.m.) and **THE REAL ROSWELL** (9 p.m.).

A GOOD-NATURED PILLAGE
The merry band crashes the sheriff's party on **ROBIN HOOD** (8 p.m., BBC America).

LIKE SUPERBOY?
Ron Perlman plays a kitten-loving hero with an underground reputation in the 2004 graphic novel adaptation **HELLBOY** (8 p.m., FX).

THE HILLS ARE ALIVE
Franz Welser-Most conducts on **THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA IN PERFORMANCE: BRUCKNER SYMPHONY NO. 5.** (9 p.m., PBS), recorded at the Abbey of St. Florian in Linz, Austria.

KILLER TOILET
A self-cleaning public restroom works with homicidal efficiency on **CSI: NY** (10 p.m., CBS).

CULINARY CHAMPION
A winner is crowned on **TOP CHEF** (10 p.m., Bravo).

EIGHTEEN HOLES OF HISTORY
BACK NINE AT CHERRY HILLS: THE LEGENDS OF THE 1960 U.S. OPEN (10 p.m., HBO) profiles three golf greats — Ben Hogan, Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus — and revisits the day they all participated in one of the most thrilling and heartbreaking afternoons in golf history. They met at a time when Hogan's career was in eclipse, when Palmer had become the darling of both golf and TV advertisers, and when a brash 20-year-old Nicklaus discovered just how good he could be.

YES, BOB'S SON
Zooey Deschanel and Jakob Dylan appear on **LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN** (11:35 p.m., CBS). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

UNIVERSAL PICTURES

HE'S NO SUPERMAN: Rupert Evans and Ron Perlman battle evil in "Hellboy."

Dear 'Secret Diary'

After 'Dr. Who,' Piper chooses something completely different

CHARACTER | On an early summer evening, Billie Piper is sitting in the back garden of a pub near her country home.

She's talking about sex and a city girl — the London-based professional escort Belle, who she portrays in the Showtime series "Secret Diary of a Call Girl," premiering at 10:30 p.m. on Monday.

In the United Kingdom, it aired last September and was blasted in the media for glamorizing prostitution.

"I thought it was a side to prostitution that we are not normally exposed to, and I thought there was a story worth telling there," Piper says in defense. "I kind of knew it was going to cause a bit of an uproar, especially because I was playing the part. People are always so used to me doing children's shows or family drama."

SHOWTIME

DON'T GIVE UP YOUR DAY JOB: Billie Piper in "Secret Diary of a Call Girl."

As a teenager, Piper became a star in England in 1998 with the chart-topping pop song "Because We Want To." She has had recurring roles in the popular sci-fi series "Doctor Who" and has starred in several British made-for-TV movies.

Yet never has the actress revealed more of herself than in the sexy "Call Girl."

The series is based on the Belle de Jour blog, which was written by a young woman who enjoys being a sex worker yet pretends to family and friends she's just Hannah, a legal secretary.

Doubts have been raised about whether Belle really exists or whether the blog was simply the fictitious concoction of some clever minds.

However, Piper says: "I met her, and she was quite a character, and she was the most useful part of my research."

"I started asking really simple, mundane questions — like, 'What's your favorite song?' 'What kind of films do you watch?' Often, those very simple details can be really useful. They tell you a lot about the human side of things," says Piper, explaining that because Belle's way of life was "so far removed from anything I know, I had to make her more human in my head."

Showtime is running the eight half-hour episodes uncut as part of an hour-long block with the fourth season of the hit series "Weeds." BRIDGET BYRNE (AP)

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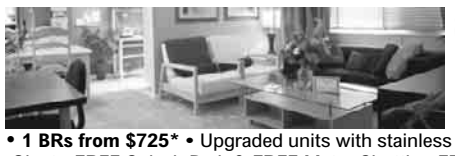

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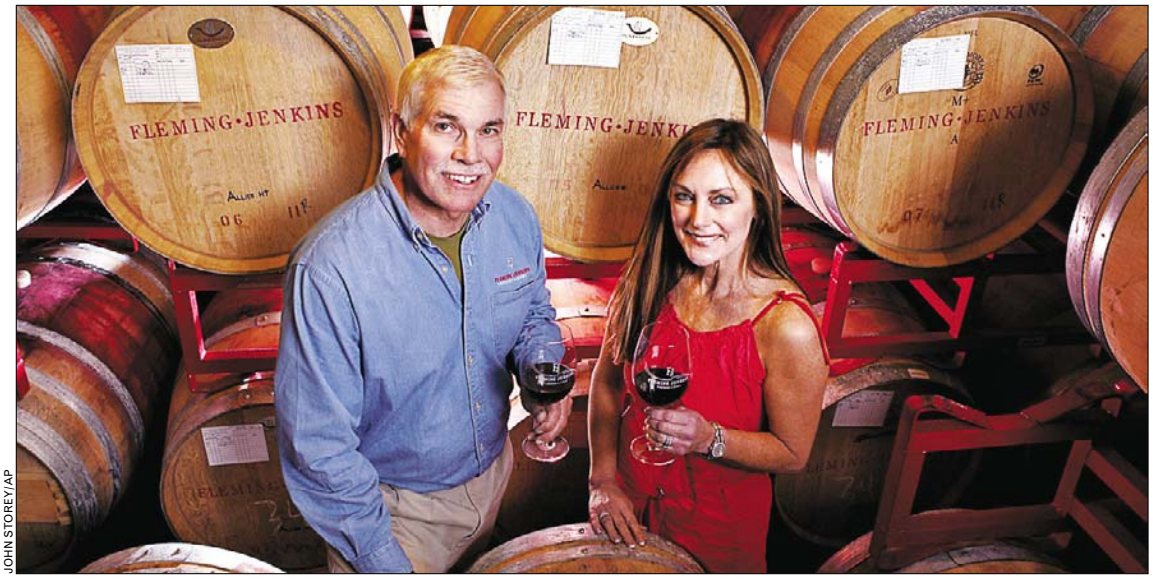

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STAR-POWERED SIPS: Peggy Fleming and her husband, Greg Jenkins, are seen with barrels of their wine in Los Gatos, Calif.

From VIPs to Vintners

As a graceful Olympian, Peggy Fleming thrilled with her elegance on the ice. But these days, the gold-medal skater is making her mark in the world of wine.

And she's not the only celebrity staking a second career in the vineyards. From golfer Greg Norman to rocker Mick Fleetwood to domestic doyenne Martha Stewart, the trend of VIP-turned-vintner is growing.

"It certainly seems to be picking up pace," says Richard Hurst, a senior vice president for the Nielsen Company.

Star power sells. Nielsen figures based on 2007 grocery store sales show celebrity wines were up nearly 19 percent from the year before, representing nearly 1 percent, or almost $42 million, of total wine sales in the United States.

It makes sense, says Hurst. With hundreds of bottles dazzling the eye, buyers often rely on recommendations, whether they are from a friend, a local merchant — or maybe a trusted celebrity.

"People are looking for that hook to hang on to because, otherwise, how do you choose between multiple chardonnays and multiple pinot grigios?" he asks.

A well-known name can be read as a signal of quality, in a market where people are looking for signals, agrees Robert Smiley, director of wine industry programs at the University of California, Davis, school of management. "Wine is a product that most of us know very little about [but] we buy a lot."

Just how much celebrities are involved in their namesake wines varies.

For Fleming— who, with her husband, Greg Jenkins, owns the Fleming-Jenkins Vineyards & Winery — making wine is a serious endeavor.

The couple planted a vineyard in 1999 at their ridgetop property in the foothills of the Santa Cruz Mountains. Soon they were selling their grapes, and Jenkins, who had retired from his first career as a dermatologist, became interested in winemaking, taking courses at UC Davis.

"We got more and more curious," says Fleming. "It just grabs you."

Their wine labels whisper rather than blare Fleming's fame, carrying the name Fleming-Jenkins with a delicate swoop of silver symbolizing the ice skating move known as a crossover.

"We wanted it to be clean and crisp-looking and simple," says Fleming. "We didn't want it to be all about me, because I'm not the winemaker, Greg is. But together we do the blends and together we select how we want it to turn out."

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>
> ROBERT SMILEY, WINE EXPERT

They produced their first wines with the 2003 vintage and later created a rose (ro-ZAY) to raise funds for research into breast cancer, a disease Fleming has successfully battled.

A rich Napa Valley cabernet blend that goes for $50 per bottle is called Choreography, another nod to Fleming's career.

Although stars from just about every field have ventured into viticulture, the sports connection has been especially strong, ranging from golfers — Ernie Els has a winery, and Arnold Palmer is collaborating with Luna Vineyards in the Napa Valley — to race car drivers; Mario Andretti founded Andretti Winery in 1996.

The arts have also fielded a number of vintners. Francis Ford Coppola has been directing wine for a quarter of a century — he bought his Napa Valley property in 1975 — winning critical as well as popular acclaim.

One factor behind the success of celebrity wines, says Hurst, is increasing wine appreciation on the part of the Millennials, who have grown up in a celebrity-soaked culture.

The Nielsen research showed consumers were paying an average of $8.50 per bottle for celebrity wine, but just $5.75 per bottle for regular wine.

Still, says Jenkins, having a famous name on the label may help sell the first bottle but not the second.

"It does help some brand awareness and visibility with Peggy's name on the label," he says. "But it's really the quality of the wine inside the bottle that's going to lead to repeat sales." MICHELLE LOCKE (AP)

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LOOK out

Your Own Eden

Horticulture

Ambitious gardeners cultivate the plants grown in the Bible

People who grow gardens grow in faith, according to the Rev. Marsh Hudson-Knapp, which accounts in large part for the Bible garden he helped established adjacent to his church a quarter-century ago.

"A lot of people's spirituality is rooted in nature," said Hudson-Knapp, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Fair Haven, Vt. "There's always been a deep [biblical] connection with gardening. With each new season, life is bursting forth again."

A Bible garden is not a theme recommended for the casual hobbyist. Cultivating every flower, shrub, food crop or fruit mentioned in the Scriptures is a daunting objective, especially if you're trying to be exacting about plant choice. More than 120 plants have been mentioned in the Bible, although that total is open to interpretation.

TOBY TALBOT/AP

The Rev. Marsh Hudson-Knapp weeds the Bible garden at his church in Vermont.

How do you determine, for example, exactly what kind of "burning bush" was cited in the story of Moses?

"We decided not to be all that precise," Hudson-Knapp said in a telephone interview. "We use substitutes at times, especially where we can't duplicate the growing conditions of certain plants."

There are plants of the Bible and then there are plants of the Bible lands, said Lytton John Musselman, who chairs the Department of Biological Sciences at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va., and is the author of "Figs, Dates, Laurel and Myrrh: Plants of the Bible and the Quran."

"Original translators of the King James version didn't have much knowledge about plants native to the Near East, so they read into a lot of things," he said.

A notable example is the apple, the forbidden fruit from the tree of knowledge in the Garden of Eden, said Musselman, who has made an academic career of winnowing the botanical from the theological.

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>
> THE REV. MARSH HUDSON-KNAPP

"Apples were not part of the agriculture from that era. It was more likely an apricot that Adam handed Eve, if you want to be literal about it. Apples had no natural role in that part of the world."

Hudson-Knapp found a convenient way to get around the apple-or-apricot, good-versus-evil debate stemming from Genesis (2:16-3:19).

"It's been a hotly contested issue, but I'm not a historical botanist, so we decided to please both factions. We had an apricot tree growing in our garden for a long time, but after it winter-killed, we replaced it with an apple [tree]."

Climate willing, there are scores of biblical plants gardeners can choose for their yards — ornamental, medicinal and culinary. Among them: grapevines, date palms, dill and olive trees.

The Bible has about 25 references to the olive tree and more than 160 references to its oil, which was used with foods, for illumination, as an ointment and soap, and for preserving leather and certain metals. The Koran mentions olives as a condiment, Musselman said.

Deuteronomy describes "a land of wheat and barley, of grapevines, fig trees and pomegranates; of olive oil and honey." Numbers 11:5 refers to cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. And let us not forget the armed plants: thorns, briers, nettles and brambles.

"Examples of those are usually saved for institutions, which tend to have more room," Musselman said. "But then, who wants to plant a bunch of thistles in their backyard?" DEAN FOSDICK (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Partly sunny, less humid	Partly cloudy	Mostly sunny,warmer	Mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny, possible thunderstorm
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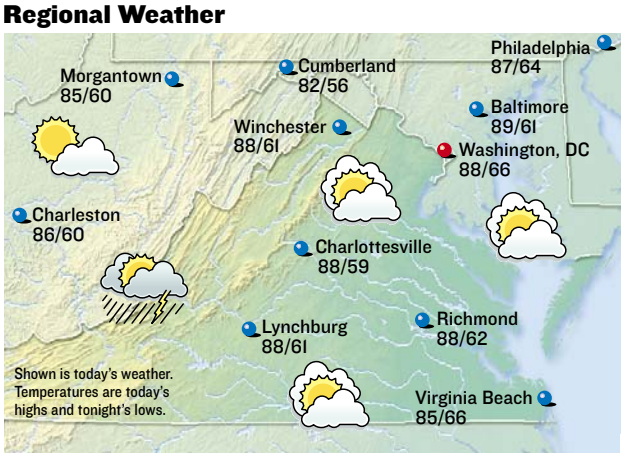

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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Tues.

Temperature

High	96°
Low	77°
Normal high	83°
Normal low	64°
Average humidity	59%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	2.43"
Normal month to date	1.09"
Year to date	26.35"
Last year to date	14.85"
Normal year to date	17.23"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: washingtonpost.com/weather

Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, less humid. High 88. Wind north 7-14 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 66. Wind west-northwest 4-8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	5:42 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:34 p.m.
Moonrise today	2:14 p.m.
Moonset today	1:29 a.m.

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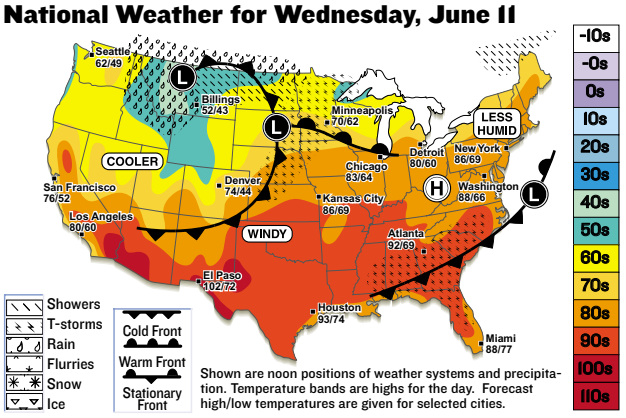

National Cities

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Atlanta	92/69/t	85/68/t
Boston	82/63/s	76/57/s
Chicago	83/64/pc	87/64/pc
Dallas	94/74/s	93/74/s
Denver	74/44/pc	72/44/pc
Honolulu	87/74/s	87/74/s
Los Angeles	80/60/pc	80/60/pc
Miami	88/77/t	88/77/pc
New York City	86/69/s	85/66/s
Orlando	92/73/t	89/73/t
Seattle	62/49/c	71/51/pc

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	63/50/c	61/50/r
Athens	85/68/s	84/70/s
Berlin	72/50/pc	69/48/c
Buenos Aires	61/43/s	59/43/s
Calgary	55/45/c	62/47/c
Dublin	61/46/r	59/46/pc
Geneva	71/54/r	62/53/t
Moscow	75/54/pc	75/55/pc
Rome	75/57/sh	70/55/t
Sydney	70/60/c	65/51/pc
Tokyo	75/66/c	74/66/r

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Styles | Look out

Look out, Ralph Lauren: Attire and accessories like the Tory Burch **IKAT PRINT FORISA DRESS** ($495), **REVA FLATS** ($195), and **REVA CLUTCH** ($275) are now mainstays.

Burch's Brand

Designer Tory Burch has made a fashion statement quickly

We noticed it a few months ago — the Palm Beachy printed clutches at Old Navy, the two-tone cardigans with jeweled buttons at J. Crew, the beaded tunics at Banana Republic, the indispensable flat shoe with a gold insignia on the toe at Target.

Tory Burch, or rather her WASPy 1960s and '70s David Hicks-meets-Marrakech style, is everywhere — at the mall, on the runway, even at Southern California's Coachella music festival in April, where Prince wore a woman's studded Tory tunic on stage. Burch herself is everywhere, too — on the cover of Town & Country, on society pages, in gossip columns, linked for a while to Lance Armstrong.

In four years, she has become the most influential fashion designer in America. Unlike big names such as Lanvin and Balenciaga, who may score a lot of red carpet hits but are sustained mostly by accessory and fragrance sales, Burch designs clothes that real people wear.

Her brand, with prices mostly in the $195 to $495 range, is accessible to a good range of ages and sizes (up to a size 14). For high-end shoppers, it's a source for casual clothes; for budget shoppers, it's aspirational. And for Burch, it's raking in more than $200 million in annual sales.

What took Ralph Lauren decades — developing brand signatures such as the Polo pony, Polo shirt, concho belt and blanket coat — Burch has done in a handful of years. The tunic top, the sequin knit dress, the dickey sweater and the $195 Reva ballet flat named after her mom and adorned with the double-T logo have become classic designs.

RICK LOOMIS, JAY L. CLENDENIN/LAT

Designer Tory Burch, left, wears a dress from her label. Her much-copied tunic, right, is inspired by the 1960s Moroccan look.

When I spoke to Burch a year ago, she said she found the imitators flattering. But now, she's not so sure. "I have called the heads of some companies personally and said, 'We all are inspired by people, but when it's so literal ...'"

> "We're not trying to be something we're not. We're not trying to reinvent fashion."
>
> **TORY BURCH**, DESIGNER

She launched her line in February 2004 at her own retail store in New York, before wholesaling it. She began with 15 categories, which is a lot for any business starting out. Many pieces, such as the caftans and espadrilles, were inspired by things that her parents wore while vacationing in the 1960s in Morocco.

Her brand of stylish, cheaper (if not cheap) chic came along at just the right time, when women were starting to take pride in mixing an H&M jacket with a Prada bag. "Having been in the fashion industry and seeing the markup, I didn't want to spend a ton of money on clothes," she says, wearing a navy blue shift dress from the spring collection and a carved ring by Turkish designer Sevan Bicakci.

"It's great to have a few designer pieces, but I like mixing them with our things and things from the Gap. It's more interesting," she says.

The seminal moment came in March 2005 when Oprah Winfrey, who had received one of Burch's tunics as a Christmas gift, invited Burch onto the show. The next day, Toryburch.com got 8 million hits.

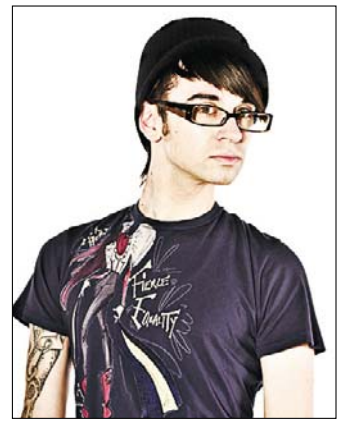
"She's not designing for some fictitious woman," says Peter Nordstrom, executive vice president and president of merchandising for Nordstrom. "She's a woman of great style and taste, and she's speaking to her friends."

Now she's in expansion mode. She's opened an office in Milan, Italy, to begin selling overseas, and a fragrance is on the horizon. With handbag sales up 50 percent and accessories sales up 200 percent last year, she'll be unveiling more small leather goods and jewelry.

She's also standing at a precipice — so visible that she has to be careful not to fizzle out. "I don't see it as 'Wow, we're there,'" Burch says. "But we're not trying to be something we're not. We're not trying to reinvent fashion or be esoteric. What I love best about what we're doing is that we're making women happy."

BOOTH MOORE (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

Fashion



Here Comes Fierce

Just when you thought the fierce-jargon, finger-snapping, tranny-mess-calling era was over, **CHRISTIAN SIRIANO** is back and wants to put a shirt on YOUR back. The pint-sized designer created a new tee for the Human Rights Campaign depicting a superhero of his own creation, "Fierce Equality." The 100 percent organic cotton tee ($38, Hrc.org and the HRC Shop, 1633 Connecticut Ave. NW) features a hand-drawn design of Fierce and is signed by Christian himself. In Christian's own words, the shirt is "fierce, fabulous and flawless." That's three F's. Time to pick a new letter of the alphabet, Christian! ROBYN MINCHER

Beauty

Banish the Shine

Philosophy's **NEVER LET THEM SEE YOU SHINE VELVET TOUCH PRIMER** ($20, Sephora) is a slender tube of eucalyptus-scented magic. After a morning slather, our face was less greasy than normal by the end of the day — though where the grease went is a mystery. Some celestial holding vat? But adding another layer to your sunscreen-moisturizer-base routine can be one layer too many, so maybe skip the base. HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

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BOOKS

Chow Down

Titling your book "The End of Food" might sound alarmist, but author and journalist Paul Robert says today's industrial-scale chow production is unsustainable. Katherine Silkaitis spoke to Roberts before his Wednesday discussion at the Washington Ethical Society. | COMING UP

MUSIC

Darling Swedish

Love Is All marries danceable rhythms with pop tunefulness, and the Swedish quintet's recent cover of Prince's "Darling Nikki" has reignited blogger love for the band. Love Is All plays the Black Cat on Wednesday, and Meg Zamula spoke with drummer Markus Gorsch. | COMING UP

MUSIC

Light in the Sadness

Iro Haarla's music is the sound of glaciers melting. The Finnish pianist and harpist will play her desolate lullabies on Friday at the House of Sweden as part of Nordic Jazz '08, and Christopher Porter spoke with Haarla about her fractured fairy tales. | COMING UP

comment board

"[Colbert] got a mascot named after him, not to mention altered the rules in a European bridge naming competition."

COMMENTERERIC, WHO ADDED, "STEWART HAS THE BETTER SHOW, BUT MY GOSH ... HAVE YOU SEEN THE DEVOTION THAT COLBERT INSPIRES IN HIS FOLLOWERS?"

"I think Colbert is more influential with the 25-and-under [crowd], while Stewart reaches more of an older audience."

COMMENTER CVL, WHO ADDED, "THEY BOTH HAVE GREAT SHOWS AND FIND COMICAL WAYS OF BRINGING CURRENT EVENTS TO THE NATION'S YOUTH, MAINLY."

"I would say Colbert had more influence because he took himself so seriously, and so did [guests] who weren't bright enough to realize he's satirical. Jon's upped his game lately, though."

COMMENTER LO, RESPONDING TO TUESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "WHICH OF COMEDY CENTRAL'S FAKE NEWS PUNDITS IS MORE INFLUENTIAL?"

poll center

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

WHICH OF COMEDY CENTRAL'S FAKE NEWS PUNDITS IS MORE INFLUENTIAL?

60% STEWART

40% COLBERT

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Blog LOG

"When your legs are tan and waxed and you've worked out all winter to show off, why would you shroud yourself in Scarlett O'Hara's curtains?"

GLOBALCHAMELEON.BLOGSPOT.COM DOES NOT WEAR FLOOR-LENGTH SUNDRESSES, ADDING, "WHEN [THERE'S] A 105-DEGREE HEAT INDEX [OUTSIDE], WHY MAKE THINGS WORSE?"

MICHAEL WILLIAMSON/TWP

"I can only liken the odor [during] rush hour to being trapped in a Port-a-Potty on a 90-degree day with a wet golden retriever."

MOCOLOTION.BLOGSPOT.COM CAN'T STAND BEING IN A METRO TRAIN CAR AFTER IT RAINS, DUE TO THE SMELL OF THE SOGGY CARPET, ADDING THAT IT "POSES A GENUINE THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH."

"I REALIZE THAT Mondays are the traditional day for restaurants to be closed. But in a thriving community like U Street, and in the summertime — this tradition seems a little dated."

FARMFRESHMEAT.COM HAD SOME TROUBLE FINDING A DECENT PLACE TO EAT IN THE HISTORIC CORRIDOR ON MONDAY NIGHT.

"AS I CAME HOME last night, this squirrel was all sprawled out [on my porch], just chilling and daring me to do something. So I, of course, walked right up expecting him to flee the moment I got close. I am embarrassed to admit it, but, I retreated."

PRINCEOFPETWORTH.COM HAS BEEN INVADED BY SQUIRRELS, ADDING, "THESE ARE A SPECIAL BREED OF SQUIRREL. THEY ARE FEARLESS."

"WE HAVE AN 11-year old girl. [And] we have 'High School Musical Karaoke' for the Wii. Which means that I want to stick a steak knife in my ear."

ERINSLICK.COM IS FED UP, ADDING, "I AM NOW SOLIDLY CONVINCED THAT THE 'HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL' CRAZE WAS STARTED BY SATAN HIMSELF."

Discussions

Eugene Robinson

Washington Post opinion columnist **EUGENE ROBINSON** was online Tuesday and offered his take on Scott McClellan, Hillary Clinton's concession speech, John McCain's attempts to woo Clinton's supporters and more.

You're right about Clinton's speech on Saturday — it was terrific. But what about the vice presidential thing for her? Seems to me Obama still can't go there.

I've always thought that when push comes to shove, an Obama-Clinton ticket is unlikely. I've been wrong before, but I still don't see it.

The McCain campaign is making a big effort to lure the body of Hillary Clinton supporters. How likely is this to work?

For most Clinton supporters, I think it's a complete non-starter. Only those with extremely weak ties to the Democratic Party, I think, will help elect a candidate whose views are so diametrically opposed.

Several months ago in this very spot, you committed to correct the record on your suggestion that Scott McClellan said the president lied to him. No correction I've seen, and now his book doesn't bear you out, either. Isn't it time to keep your word?

Um, OK, Scott McClellan doesn't say the president lied to him; he says the president lied to the American people. How about that?

What scares me is not $5-per-gallon gas, but the way so many people are dismissing McCain and crowning Obama. The work is just beginning, and there's something really scary about how hyped everyone is getting.

I continue to believe that the Clinton campaign's biggest mistake was overconfidence. That should be an object lesson.

TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Food critic Tom Sietsema answers your questions about dining and listens to your complaints in "Ask Tom" at 11 a.m. | **washingtonpost.com/discussions.**

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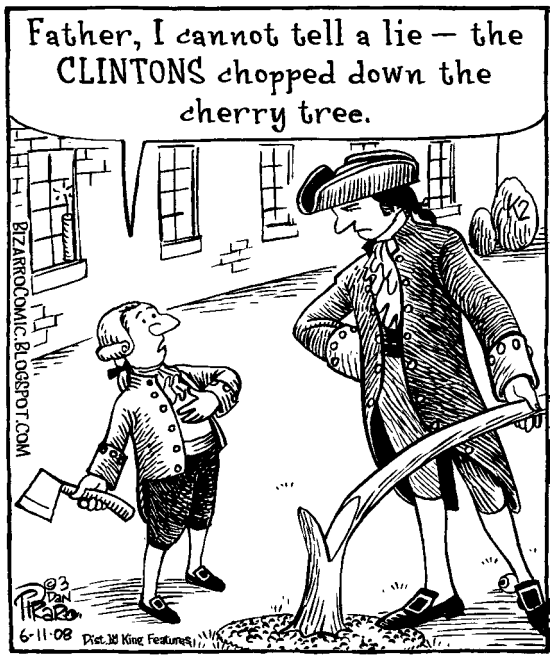
CAST YOU VOTE FOR AMERICA'S FAVORITE DESSERT, The Pillsbury Doughboy will be campaigning in Washington, D.C., at the National Capital Barbecue Battle June 21-22 to encourage people 18 and older to nominate cake, brownies, frosting or quick bread as America's favorite dessert.

Look out

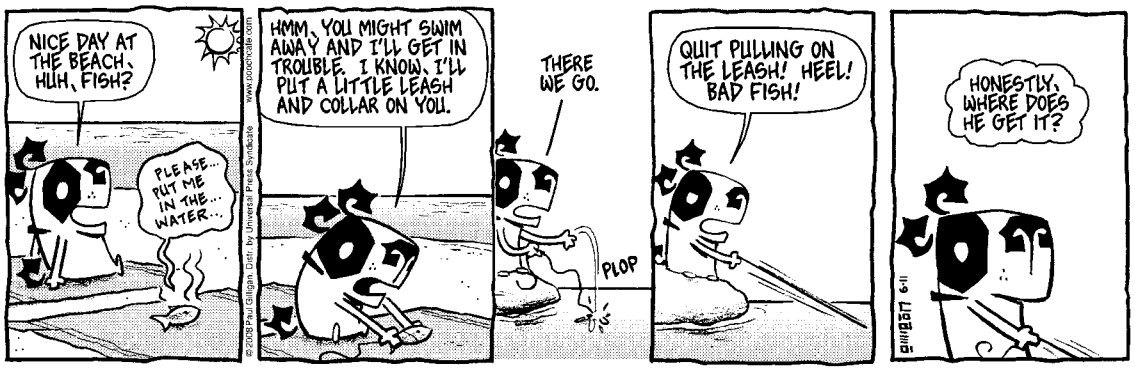
Bizarro | *Dan Piraro*



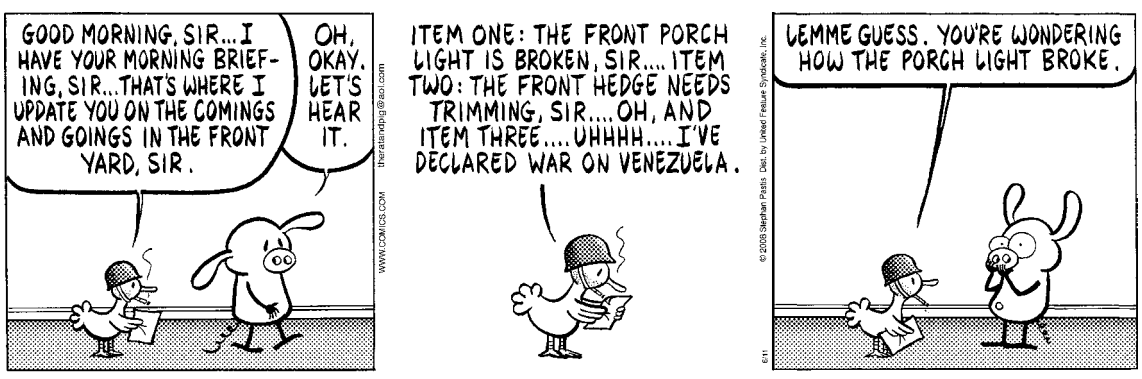
Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*

"She'll sign that prenuptial if he'll sign this postnuptial agreement."

Pooch Cafe | *Paul Gilligan*



Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*



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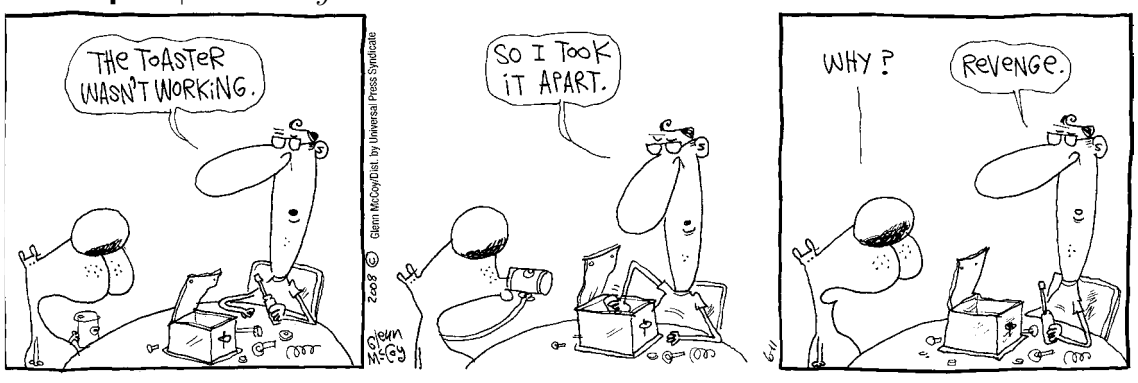


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may have to distance yourself from a close friend for the time being to discover for yourself just what you can accomplish alone.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A personal, emotional assignment may come up — and it is surely worthy of your wholehearted commitment. Be innovative and experimental.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An argument may come down to your word against his or hers— but you've got an ace up your sleeve. Don't show your hand until it's required.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone has been selling himself or herself short recently. What does this have to do with you? The answer will be clear by day's end.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Something is about to get under way, and you don't want to be left out. You have a great deal to offer — and even more to gain.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) This is a good day to talk openly about those things that you usually keep under wraps.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You'll want to splurge just a little — but not so much that you cannot enjoy what is coming to you just around the next corner.

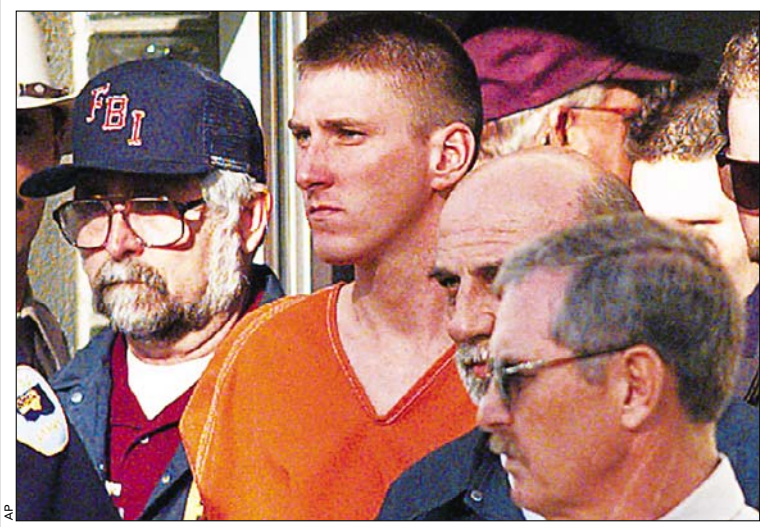
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's a good time to concentrate on your own state of mind — particularly as it develops when the unexpected comes your way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Others are likely to look to you for guidance, but you may have to dig yourself out of a personal hold of sorts before you can offer it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Potential is increasing at this time, particularly on the job. Don't try to go against your own internal rhythms; trust those little voices.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What you do can count for much, but you don't want to let it go unappreciated. Make yourself and your efforts known.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may be in need of a special kind of pick-me-up during the middle portion of the day. That's when you can look to a friend for assistance.



AP

Timothy McVeigh, center, was executed in 2001 for his role in the Oklahoma City blast.

Today in History

1509 England's King Henry VIII married Catherine of Aragon.

1770 Capt. James Cook, commander of the British ship Endeavour, discovers the Great Barrier Reef off Australia.

1776 The Continental Congress forms a committee to draft a Declaration of Independence calling for freedom from Britain.

1963 Buddhist monk Thich Quang Duc sets himself afire on a Saigon street to protest the government of South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem.

2001 Timothy McVeigh is executed by injection at a federal prison in Indiana for the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

2003 Pioneering broadcast journalist David Brinkley dies in Houston at age 82.

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Look out | People

ED JONES/AFP/GETTY

Whatever he touches turns to annoying.

BOASTFUL

World's Greatest Hyperbole

DONALD TRUMP was in Scotland on Tuesday defending plans to build a $2 billion golf resort on an environmentally sensitive stretch of coastline. He said it would be "the world's greatest golf course." (AP)

COURT

Defendant Stuns All With Use of Vocal Cords, Mouth

R. KELLY told the judge in his child pornography trial in Chicago Tuesday that he doesn't plan to testify in his own defense. It was the first time he spoke at his own trial. (AP)

VALERIE MACON/GETTY IMAGES

SPAWN

Spelling B-A-B-Y

TORI SPELLING and husband Dean McDermott are parents again. The "Beverly Hills, 90210" alum and McDermott welcomed their second child — 6-pound, 8-ounce Stella Doreen McDermott — at a Los Angeles hospital Monday, said her publicist. It's the second child for the actress, 35, and the third for McDermott. (AP)

MEN

This Item Not Actually About Anne Hathaway

This item is about my sketchy-as-heck boyfriend!

The state is investigating the charitable foundation of **ANNE HATHAWAY**'s boyfriend. Italian businessman Raffaello Follieri, 29, heads the Follieri Foundation, a charity whose work includes vaccinating children in Third World countries. New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo is heading the probe. The Foundation has not filed IRS tax disclosure forms required from charities, according to a review of records by The Associated Press. "There is an investigation going on that does not involve Anne," said Stephen Huvane, Hathaway's publicist, in an e-mail. (AP)

MEN

This Item Not Actually About Amy Winehouse

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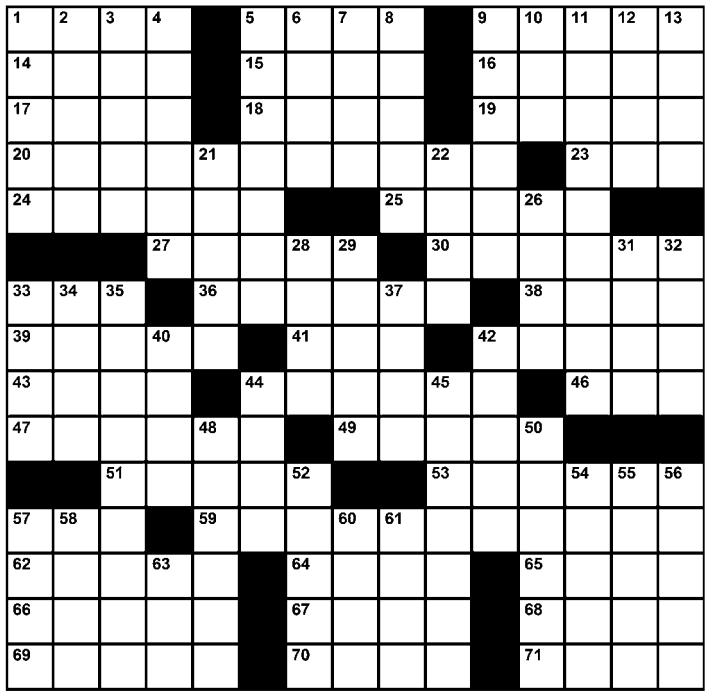

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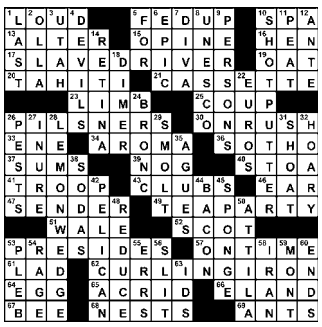

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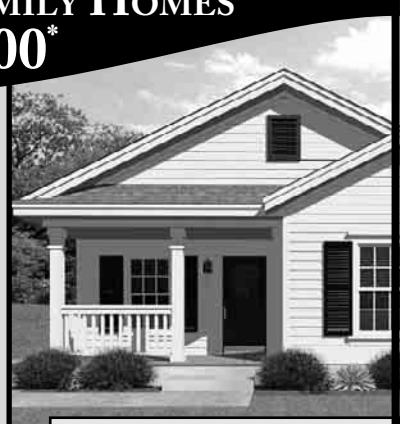

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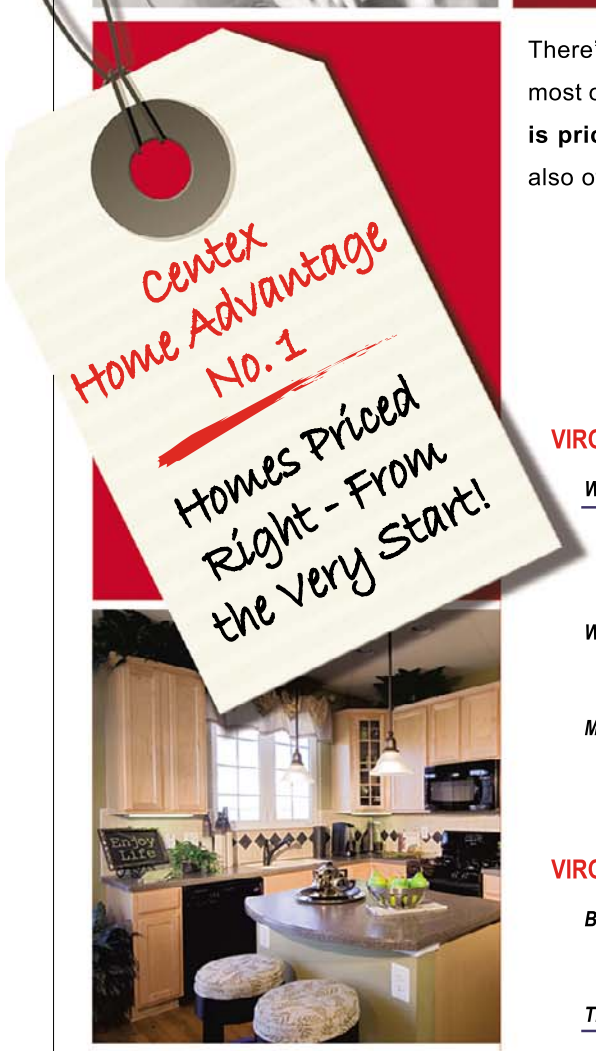

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LOW-DOWN DIRTY DOG: Not on Heather Andrews' watch. The former marketing director turned a love of animals into a career as a groomer, one where it's really OK to say, "this job's gone to the dogs."

Groomed for Success

ONE WOMAN LIES DOWN WITH THE DOGS AND GETS UP WITH A NEW CAREER

Wet, sloppy kisses as a career perk? Heather Andrews has 'em. Once in a while she gets bitten, too.

Andrews, a former marketing director, now spends her days

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TOOLS OF THE TRADE: No more desks, keyboards and monitors for this friend of Fido! Andrews' career is a hands-on romp with scissors, soap, shampoo and, of course, customers' lovable pugs and poodles.

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grooming dogs. Her clients — the nonpaying ones, that is — are poodles and Papillons, setters and spaniels. They sniff, whine, snort, bark and sometimes growl — not unlike an average set of office workers.

At Groom 'N Glory in Centreville, Andrews relishes not working in an office: "I'd go crazy behind a desk," she says. And as a lifelong animal lover, she finds working with dogs a natural fit.

Natural but messy. "You can't groom a dirty dog," she says; "it's not good for the equipment or for finding the right style." So the first task is to get the dog into a tub to be washed — three times. Then comes blow-drying: "We have to make them fluffy." Only then do scissors and clippers come out.

"Patience is key," Andrews says, soothing a terrier on her table. Dogs may resist a bath at home, but "they sometimes act differently with us. They know what to do, and if they're scared, we ease them into it. We work slowly and earn their trust through touch, talk, massage—whatever works."

That same sense of sizing up a situation got Andrews into both of her careers—and out of one. Following two years of college in Pennsylvania, she moved with her family back to Virginia, where a friend connected her with a customer-service job at a Richmond gift company. With just three people on staff, the job included some accounting and warehouse work.

It grew quickly. Andrews "kept getting promoted" and became the marketing director, the contact for 400 company representatives nationwide. After eight years, she took a job with the same title but a higher salary at a similar company in Georgia where she saw more potential.

But a year in, "something was missing," she sighs. "I was so good at my job but not totally happy." Back to Virginia she went.

Realizing that "I had to work around animals," in 2006 she enrolled in a five-month dog-grooming course. Andrews then responded to an ad for a groomer and told her future employer, "Teach me and I will learn." She started at Groom 'N Glory that fall.

> "This is a recession-proof career. People always take care of their pets."
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> **PETER PERETTAA**, GROOMING EXPERT

"This is a recession-proof career," says Peter Peretta, director/owner of the Virginia School of Pet Grooming (see box). "People always take care of their pets." One downside: According to Petgroomer.com, a full-time employee with at least a year's experience commonly makes $25,000 to $35,000 a year; $40,000 to $50,000 is high.

A groomer's basic training can be through a school or an apprenticeship. That's often enough for a job. Beyond that, the National Dog Groomers Association of America (724-962-2711; Nationaldoggroomers.org) offers national certifications in three types of dog: sporting, nonsporting and terrier. To be certified for one, a candidate has to answer 100 written questions and demonstrate competence on one or two dogs. A candidate can then move on to become a national certified master groomer, which requires passing the same tests for all three dog types plus a 400-question exam on anatomy, health, pesticides and more.

Andrews has earned certifications in nonsporting and terriers and has traveled to nearby states to competitions, usually with clients' dogs. "I learn so much by watching the competitors and hearing the judges' comments," she says.

Bathing and drying a dog takes an hour on average, and then there's another hour or so on the table. Dogs also get their nails done and ears cleaned. Andrews and her colleagues work 8 a.m. to late afternoon, Tuesday through Saturday: "I love having a weekday for personal errands, like taking my dogs to the vet. It's really hard to take a day off in this industry." Andrews and her husband have a pug and two boxers; she grooms them herself.

What's next? College "may still be a possibility. I'd appreciate it more if I went back now." More immediately, she's working toward her master certification. "I always want to make myself better," she says. Besides, being married to a Marine means "it's good to have a portable job."

Full certification can only help, Andrews says, and "when I walk into a shop with my resume and tell them I'm a national certified master groomer, they'll know I'm dedicated to this career."

Even in Japan, one possible post?

"I'd be willing to try it," she says. "This is what I'm going to do the rest of my life. I love this work."

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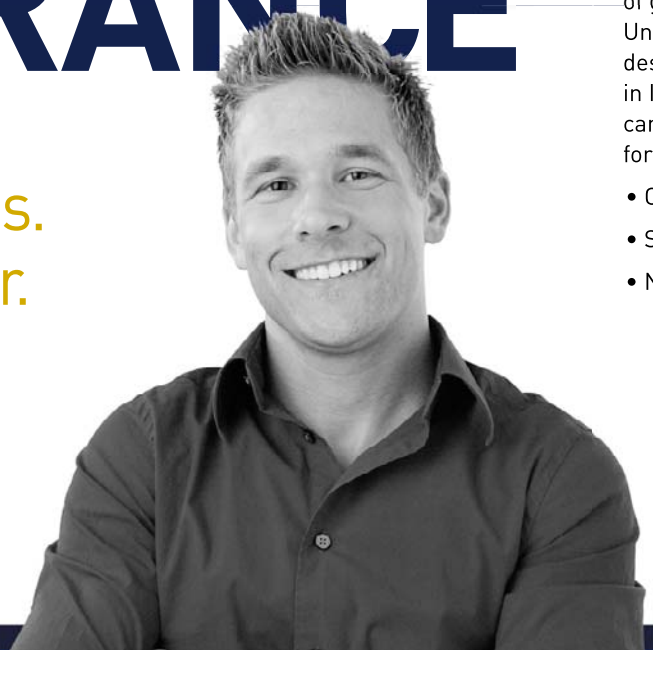

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The New Faces of Handmade

D.C.'s modern-day crafters: Making it, in more ways than one

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THE MAN, THE JUNK: Jon Wye's "junk" belts were the genesis of a thriving craft business. Pictured: Wye, some of his equipment (but not the top-secret stuff), and the finished belts and buckles, which he sells at boutiques across the country as well as at D.C.'s own Eastern Market.

Walk into Jon Wye's unfinished Eastern Market garage and you'll find creative chaos. A stair-stepper rests next to a bench press. A corner worktable — littered with scissors, saws, axes — supports a wooden shelf piled with more tools and a couple mannequin heads. There are scraps of plywood and an old box fan on the already supply-littered floor. Dozens of colorful leather belts are draped on the right side of a bench-press barbell, near the 28-year-old's sewing machine.

"Fred won't come in here," says Wye of his dog, a gentle retriever mix. "He's scared of all this." Perhaps rightly so. Aside from the fact that the belt designer's workshop has no AC or heat — Wye admits he just started feeling his toes again in March — there are some heavy-duty machines in here that, when turned on, sound like they're about to go into orbit.

Welcome to the world of independent crafting ... well, sort of.

"Craft" doesn't seem to really describe what an increasing number of Washingtonians are cranking out creatively, often for profit. Forget the Styrofoam balls, googly eyes and felt Mom would pick up at Michaels. Today, tastes have moved past generic do-it-yourself kits toward eclectic creations and personalized ventures. The days of rubber-stamping and wreath-making are so over. Instead, independent businesses — from funky belt-makers like Wye to spirited fabric artists — are gaining ground and often making money. According to the Craft and Hobby Association, crafters spend $31 billion per year in the States alone.

"People better appreciate handmade items today more than 10 or 15 years ago when it was more of a materialistic world," says spokeswoman Terri Ouellette. "It didn't use to be that way. You'd have to negotiate for five bucks for the thing you worked three days on!"

She says the green movement and accessibility of information on the Internet have played significant roles in the current craft boom. In an age of mass-produced everything, people crave the authentic, the handmade, the imperfect. And there are a lot of people making stuff these days — 57 percent of American households do. So, in order to make a living (or some extra cash) weaving, forging or hammering stuff, your product really needs to stand out. "People just aren't buying crocheted hand towels anymore," says Ouelette. "And it's probably a good thing."

So, how do some of Washington's creators manage?

For Wye, it began with a girl, back in September of 2003.

"I'm not a bar-hopper kind of guy," he explains. After meeting a woman he liked at church, he suggested "'Hey, come over to my house. I have this great idea for belt buckles.'"

Not that Wye had ever made anything like that before. But, with his new crush, the scion of a DIY family who'd once taken a pottery class as an undergrad in Illinois, Wye spent an evening making one. The pair formed a design in canners' wax and then cast it in plaster. After that, they put a blowtorch to some scrap metal, liquefying it before pouring it into the mold and baking in the oven. Yeah, a few pans were destroyed in the process. But Wye's "Junk" buckle (a metal piece that literally says "junk") was born. "We proudly wore our funny little creations all around town," he recalls.

But, sigh, the creative meeting of the minds was to be cut short: Wye's muse already had plans to move to Barcelona in a few months.

Rather then mope around, he threw himself into his work. In a matter of months, the buckle designs multiplied (there are now variations shaped like waffles and men's underpants). It was while looking for his next step that he found his niche: "I had this concept that I could probably get these really cool images onto belts," he says.

And he did just that. In August of last year, Wye quit his job as an office manager at Home Front Communications and devoted himself to furthering his funky brand. He works with graphic designers from New Zealand to Seattle to put his loopy illustration ideas into reality, and then embeds them into leather strips.

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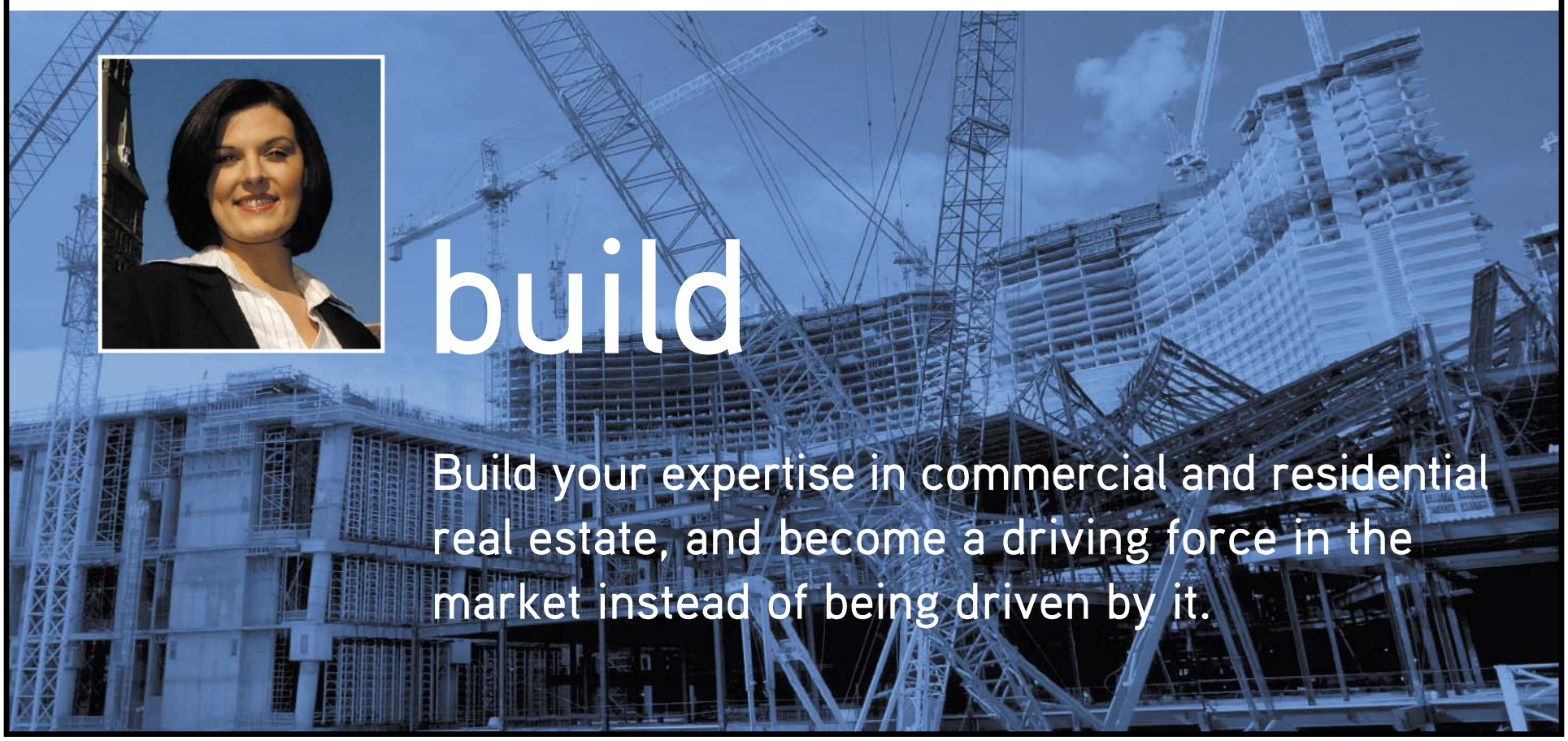

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STITCH IN TIME: Wye uses embossers, hole punchers and, yes, sewing machines to bring his crafty creations into reality.

Crafting for Cash

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San Francisco to Puerto Rico. This retail reach helps him stay afloat; so does the fact that he saves on rent by living with his parents. Still, he's not making Kenneth Cole-like bucks yet, so the monthly payments on his embossers, hole punchers and other machines stress him out sometimes. Still, making money with his hands is exciting, even if it's not yet that lucrative. "There are some moments where I've been, like, 'Holy crap! I need to buy dog food this month — that's $30! I eke by, and there are months that boost me up again."

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> JON WYE, CRAFTER

Erika Rubel, 42, of Brentwood found inspiration for her craft business in 2002 after a friend brought

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over a mirror for the occasional mosaic hobbyist to work with for a tiling project in her fixer-upper house. Things didn't go exactly as planned.

"Instead, I took stuff I had been collecting for garden art and hammered it on to the mirror," she says. It wasn't long before she quit her job as a customer service manager and took part-time gigs as a bartender and photo researcher to stay afloat while she fleshed out the idea. Two years later, Had Matter was born.

She started a stand at Eastern Market in March 2004. At first, she primarily focused on selling mosaic outdoor cocktail tables and the mirrors. But nothing really caught on, so she took a chance. Switching out the mirrors for old photographs and wooden shelves, Rubel developed quirky key holders made from recycled materials — vintage photos, old clocks and coffee cans. When she introduced them that July, she says they "quickly took over as my most popular pieces."

She's been crafting full time ever since, selling her wares online (Hadmatterart.com), at local fairs and on weekends at Eastern Market. How does she survive as a full-time crafter? She says markets can be profitable, and she lives frugally and doesn't have a big mortgage. She also hustles: In order to make it full time, Rubel says, "You want to shoot between $4,000 and $8,000 in sales" per month.

And for 8th Street Soap Kitchen's Jenny Isaacs, the beginnings of her part-time business were simple. "I've always liked making things," she says with a laugh. "But I can't sew; I can't draw. So, I picked up a beginner 'how to make soap' book."

For her new hobby, she ordered soap-making ingredients online.

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BELTED: Wye is usually at Eastern Market on weekends, but the easiest way to find him is at Jonwye.com.

LATHER UP: Find Isaacs and her soaps at Craft Mutiny events (Craftmutiny.com), or order directly from 8thstreetsoapkitchen.com.

HANG ON: Rubel is most often found at Eastern Market (not this weekend, though, as she sets up shop at Baltimore's Honfest). Peruse and order her funky key holders and clocks at Hadmatterart.com.

The Art, The Craft

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Except what she thought would be a small pail of coconut oil turned out to be a 40-pounder. "I had to use up all of it. So, I made more soap!" Now the 38-year-old graphic designer's Brookland basement is awash with bars in various creation stages, like the citrusy Flora de Naranja and fresh-from-the-dryer sweet Fluffy Pajamas.

As any DIYer will tell you, getting the crafty ball rolling is one thing. Keeping up with a full- or part-time business is another. For starters, there's incorporation, setting up a Web site, keeping track of orders and shipping packages. It also helps if you're comfortable with bragging a little — which most crafters will tell you isn't exactly their style.

Then there's the issue of how much to sell your vintage fabric-covered lampshades/star-shaped bowls/handknit sofa slipcovers. How do you know what's too much — or too little?

Rubel says many folks who create things for money don't put a high enough value on their time. Sure, it may take a couple hours to put the finishing touches on one of her key holders, but that doesn't factor in time she's spent working on her Web site, shipping purchases or sussing out old license plates, photos or geegaws to incorporate into her designs. Even though she primarily works with recycled materials, it's not like she's happening upon yard sales and Dumpster diving on weekends. Some of her pieces require very specific items that take time to source.

For instance, she has an alligator-themed piece that requires a Florida license plate. "The only way to get Florida plates regularly is in eBay," she says. Just surfing the auction site to bid on used plates can take a few hours each week.

By not taking these factors into account, she says, one not only runs the risk of undervaluing themselves, but that of their crafty counterparts. Online craft-selling sites like Etsy.com can be a blessing and a curse. Etsy allows its 100,000-plus users to set up virtual shops without establishing their own sites. But you won't make money if you price your masterpieces too low. "Too many people aren't trying to make money off of it," she says. "They're just selling what they're making while watching the ballgame. You should take yourself seriously."

The more you respect your work, the more customers will, too. Isaacs points out that the higher she priced her soaps, the better they sold.

Yeah, there's money to be made in crafting these days. During its first year (2003), Etsy sales totaled $3.8 million. As of May of this year, sales profits had already reached $25 million, says Etsy spokesman Matthew Stinchcomb.

But before you start thinking those boxes you decoupage will make you rich, Stinchomb suggests approaching the hot glue gun cautiously: "I'd say we have a couple hundred sellers who could support themselves by what they're selling on Etsy," he says. That's out of 100,000 vendors.

And like anyone who is starting a business, be wary of who you bring on board. When Wye started establishing a little street cred, people started coming out of the woodwork. "It's not always the best people right away. It's always, 'Hey, we've got the best commerce package, we can be your PR people.' I've learned that these are things you stay away from at all costs in the beginning and for many years to come."

And just because you're working independently, you don't need to be a hermit, holed up in your studio, er, apartment. Network with your crafty brethren. There are national groups like Craft Mafia (Craftmafia.com) and Bazaar Bizarre (Bazaarbizarre.org) that have chapters from Anchorage to Boston. There's also the local Craft Mutiny (Craftmutiny.com). Sites and organizations like these provide a way for those with an artsy bent to meet and mingle, ask for advice and even set up shows together.

Isaacs became a Mutiny member last August. "It's got a spirit of playfulness I really like," she says. "They're definitely kind of alterna — there's someone with pink hair. They're all crazy creative." When Mutineers aren't volleying questions back and forth on their online forum, the group of 12 20- and 30-somethings brainstorm ideas at Silver Spring's Pyramid

PHOTOS BELOW BY CHRIS COMBS/EXPRESS

THE MAD SCIENCE OF SOAP Safety gloves and long sleeves are the MO when 8th Street Soap Kitchen's Jenny Isaacs is making suds. Above: In her basement workshop, Isaacs melts, mixes and then pours soap into trays for later drying. Right: Another batch is dried and cut. "I've always liked making things," Isaacs says.

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The key ingredient to becoming an indie craft success? Looking ahead to what's next.

Rubel has her key holders almost down to a science. So much so, that creating some pieces is more drudgery than creative work. Now she allots extra time to brainstorm future projects: She's thinking wall sconces from recycled cigar boxes, old tin cans and vintage photos.

PHOTOS BY MARGE ELY/EXPRESS

Erika Rubel sells her recycled key holders full time, but admits she lives frugally and doesn't have a big mortgage.

For Wye, it's developing new belt designs, expanding his line into clothes and — no surpise — developing unique dog collars.

Isaacs is delving into lip balms, cuticle creams, and, gulp, penis enlargement cream.

And, of course, the soaps are still churning along, due to inspiration gleaned from her daily life.

"I've been working on a soap I'm going to call 'Brooklandia,' because that's my neighborhood," she says. "It's going to have dandelions that I'm going to pick on my way back home today. I'm going to use holy water that I'm going to get from the Franciscan monastery up the street! I'll probably burn in hell for it, but it should be an interesting soap."

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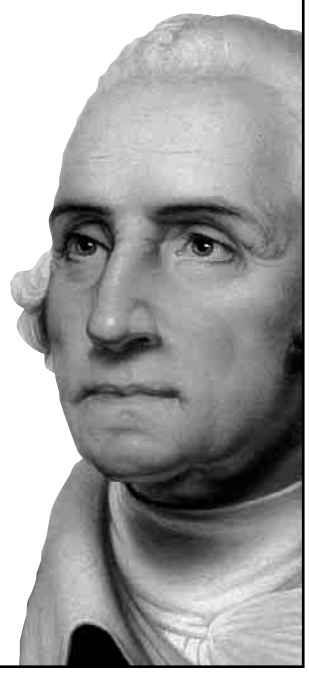

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A new Annandale shop is teaching Korean women what consignment is about.

The Second Time'Round

He Sook Kooritzky's work often takes her to Annandale. Now the Vienna resident and Korean immigrant has another reason to head there. A high-end consignment shop on Little River Turnpike has sold her on a new concept: selling the designer clothes that cluttered her closet and buying those cast off by others.

"Whenever I'm in Annandale, I stop by," said Kooritzky, 66, who recently scored Roberto Cavalli blouses and Christian Dior sunglasses at the new shop, Grace & Kelli. "I am a very good customer."

Several consignment stores exist in the region, but they are unfamiliar to many Korean immigrants, particularly those of the first generation, said co-owner Gina Kim.

"Koreans are big consumers. They're into name brands, luxury brands," said Kim, 40, an Annandale lawyer who emigrated from Korea at age 11. She now finds herself explaining the concept to Korean women of her mother's era. "A lot of them think I made up this whole idea."

Kim said the idea has caught on more quickly than she expected. Sure, some skeptical Korean customers have asked whether they can enter through the back door or shop after hours because they feel ashamed to be shopping for used clothing. But the store's inventory has grown from 200 pieces to more than 1,000. And Kim, who funded the project with $120,000, said she has broken even each month since opening.

Advertisements in Korean-language newspapers helped draw initial crowds, Kim said, as did a consignment tutorial given by Hannah Yun, Kim's sister-in-law, on a local Korean-language radio station. Yun explained consignment in "save-the-environment" terms.

The store has become something of a ladies' gathering spot. "It's just like a local hangout," said Sue Yi, a regular. "You see other people come in and try things on, and you get motivated to go and browse yourself. It's fun, and the whole idea is just really being received well."

Not least by Kim's mother, Sue Kim. She wears jeans and sneakers to her day job as owner of a food court restaurant. But after work, Kim said, "it's only Chanel."

Now on four afternoons a week, Sue Kim, 65, goes from her job at the food court to Grace & Kelli, where she works as a clerk. And she's a client: She has picked up Versace sneakers and Chanel shoes at the shop.

"I think it's no more," she said of buying full-price clothing. "I'm so happy." KARIN BRULLIARD (WASHINGTON POST)

Long Live the Queen

Lipstick maven Poppy King leaves her mark on the business world

When Poppy King was 18, she literally put her money where her mouth is.

Frustrated by the fact that she couldn't find any matte lipsticks in a sea of 1980s-era "Debbie Gibson fuchsia lip gloss specials," she started her own brand. Poppy Industries soon took off, as women in King's native Australia and around the world clamored for an alternative to goopy glosses. King spent more than a decade running her business, during which she weathered her share of ups and downs, before a stint as vice president for creative marketing at Prescriptives.

These days, she's launched a new line of lipsticks called Lipstick Queen and has written a book, "Lessons of a Lipstick Queen" ($23, Atria), to help others figure out how to turn their great ideas into successful companies. We spoke with the makeup maven, who's not afraid to kiss and tell when it comes to the secrets of her success. BETH LUBERECKI

Lipstick queen Poppy King's new book helps readers develop their great ideas.

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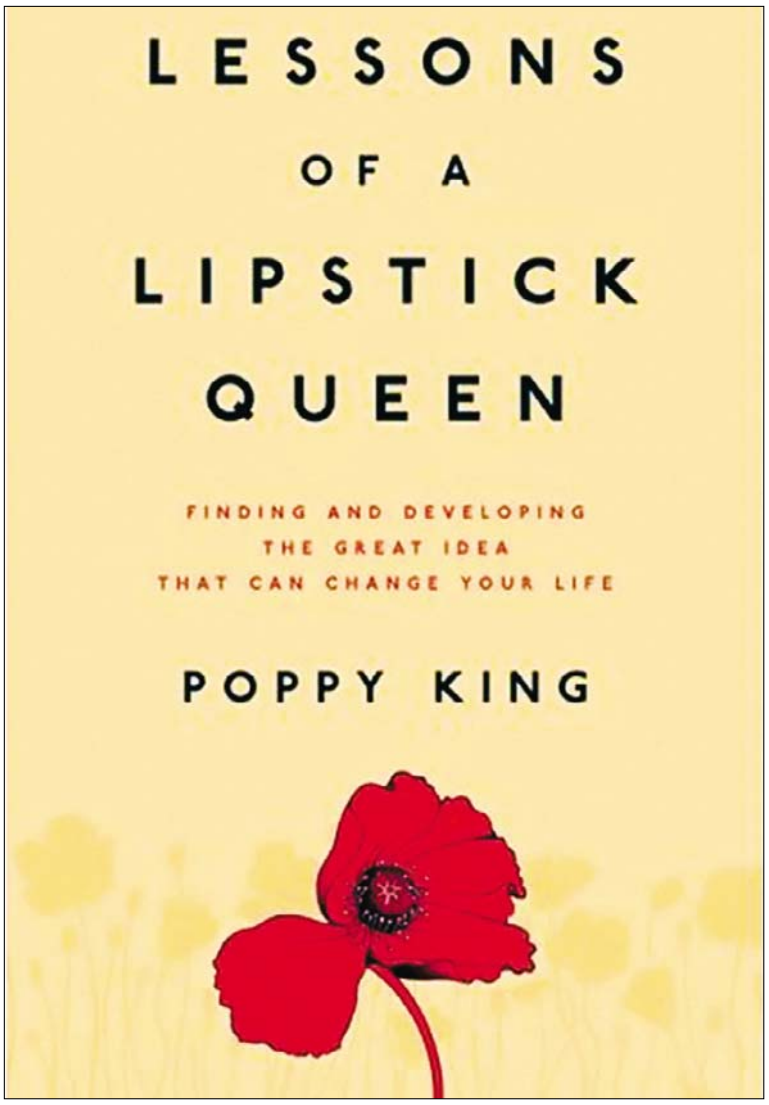

How do you know whether a business idea is worth pursuing?
If it keeps coming back and back and back. ... And if you really have something worth pursuing, you start to see it connected to a whole lot of other things as well. It's repetitive, and then it expands.

The old saying goes that nice guys (or gals) finish last. But your experience and advice seems to contradict that old adage.
If you're polite and courteous and have follow-through, those are all things people take as a given but are so rare in fact.

I think being nice in the way you conduct yourself in business and having some principles is really like an investment. I've gone way up there in terms of financial success and status and then fallen down and gone back up again.

Inevitably in business, or life, it's a bit of a roller coaster. Because I had been nice to people the whole way along, when I was on the other side of the roller coaster, people were still willing to believe in me because of how I'd treated them on the way up.

How did you stay true to who you were in an environment with all kinds of rules and traditions?
I kind of burst onto the scene as a maverick. And then as my business matured, there were certain aspects of the rules of the corporate world that I needed to find a balance with. I struggled between breaking the rules and following certain rules. I think somebody like Richard Branson or Warren Buffett, those are people who managed to be mavericks but also understand what rules are there to be broken and what rules are there because they're just good common sense.

I encourage people, when they're looking at the rules, to differentiate between tradition and common sense. Tradition should be respected, but it doesn't means it's the only route. But common sense has always got to be part of it.

You went through a very difficult and public dispute with your business partners at Poppy Industries. What did you learn from that experience?
You are better off getting $10 from a business partner who shares your vision, whom you feel has a skill set or brings something to the table that's helpful, who's clear in terms of their role, than you are to get $100 or $100 million from somebody who is very flawed in what is shared in terms of vision.

The big problem with my partnership was the skill sets were very different, which then meant the vision of the business was very different. Unless you share the vision, it doesn't matter what else you share.

When are challenges just bumps in the road, and when are they signs of real problems with your business?
When you're an entrepreneur, there are going to be naysayers and there's going to be opposition. But if you're finding that it's not diminishing, that it is actually increasing and repeating itself for similar reasons over and over and over again, I think that is a sign.

What were you most surprised by while running Poppy Industries?
Everything you do, there is a reaction somewhere along the line. When Poppy Industries was really going through its most difficult period, it was so clear to me a lot of difficulty came up not from events that had happened two weeks before but two years before. Everything you do, good, bad and even indifferent, doesn't just disappear. It sets you up for what is going to happen.

You're back in the lipstick game now. Are you doing anything differently this time around?
The energy of the brand is exactly the same, but the backroom is entirely different. I am so much more keenly aware of the balance between creativity and structure that creates success. You can create a legend with just creativity, but to create success you need creativity and structure.

How have you kept your passion for lipstick alive?
Lipstick has been my way of continually keeping me engaged with my own gender, where we're at and what's going on. For me, it's very much a constant exploration about what it's like to be a woman in the 21st century. I'm endlessly curious. People assume I'm very driven or very ambitious. I have those elements but they're not really the driving force. It's curiosity. And I think anyone can foster their curiosity.

Why do you want to share your tricks of the trade with others?
When I was working for Estée Lauder [which owns Prescriptives], I was doing trunk shows at Nordstrom stores around America. All I'd have to say was one sentence—"I started my first lipstick brand at 18" — and I would get mobbed by women and their daughters asking, "How on Earth did you do that?"

I realized that I had been very lucky in how simply I had taken on the idea of starting my own lipstick brand. I had really done it like a school project. I felt that everyone I was meeting was overthinking things, and if I could write a book that simplified it, that could be really helpful. If I have all these experiences racketing around in my head with nowhere to go, it feels like an energy that's kind of boxed up.

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DC by Foot challenges the typical walking tour, giving sightseers not just history but also dancing, rap and more — for tips only.

D.C. for Free?

Two entrepreneurs seek to reinvent the D.C. walking tour business

With a little bit of rap (about King George III, of all people: "He was a meanie and we were so teeny"), a healthy but not overbearing dose of history and a whole lot of nerve, two recent college graduates are rattling the genteel world of Washington tour guides.

Ben Hindman and Brody Davis are giving tours for free.

Working only for tips, the two friends in bright orange caps are attracting tourists who find themselves looking at the Mall's attractions, knowing little more than that the really tall one has to do with Washington; the squat, columned one is where Forrest Gump liked to hang out; and the one with the dome is where the president lives, or something like that.

"A lot of tourists really don't know anything about Washington or history," Hindman says. "We thought we could entertain people and get them interested in history at the same time."

Not entertained are the city's professional guides, who "really don't like us," says Hindman, 24, a Bostonian who found the inspiration for DC by Foot in Berlin, where he took a tour from a tips-only guide.

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> **BEN HINDMAN**, DC BY FOOT

"This has been their livelihood, and they don't like us giving it away," Davis says. "They are professionals, and they think we don't know anything."

Actually, says Tom Whitley, who handles marketing for the Guild of Professional Tour Guides of Washington, D.C., "it would be foolhardy for highly skilled guides to get into some kind of a fight with people trying to pick up tours out on the street. Let's just say that it's much more likely that a person who wants a qualified guide will go out and get a professional guide."

The guild's code of ethics frowns upon soliciting for tips. Hindman and Davis figure their business is the ultimate expression of capitalism. They offer a service; people determine its value and pay accordingly.

Although traditional guides say they provide accurate and compelling stories about Washington and the nation's great symbols, the two buddies fresh out of Vanderbilt University say they checked out the competition and were underwhelmed.

So, Hindman and Davis studied, obtained D.C. tour guide licenses and asked their former history professors to share Washington stories. They concocted a script mixing tales of heroism and nation-building (the birth of lobbying at the Willard Hotel, the stirring John Adams-Thomas Jefferson friendship, the strange but true explanation of why the Washington Monument is two-toned) with wacky bits that would probably come only from the minds of kids fresh out of college.

For example, your average professional guide, while summarizing the Revolutionary War, probably doesn't ask tour groups to "march like you're British" and lead the tourists skipping down the path.

If the professionals are disturbed by the introduction of free tours on the Mall, they are smart enough to keep their carping to a minimum, in part because they don't think the free model will survive. Hindman and Davis sometimes have their doubts, too.

Since they started last summer, they have given more than 100 tours, averaging more than 35 people per outing and collecting about $150 from each group.

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A family of four is often happy to fork over a $20 tip rather than the $15 per person — or much more — they might have to pay for a traditional tour.

"That paid the rent and let us hibernate for the winter," Hindman says. Along the way, they figured out that foreigners tip better; that the larger the group, the lower the per-capita tip; and that nothing gins up business better than making nice to hotel concierges (this is, after all, the capital of lobbying).

For now, Hindman and Davis are getting by. They'd love to turn their business into a permanent fixture on the Mall, but they're hedging their bets. Davis plans to go to law school and Hindman to business school. Turns out there's something to this idea of being a professional.

MARC FISHER (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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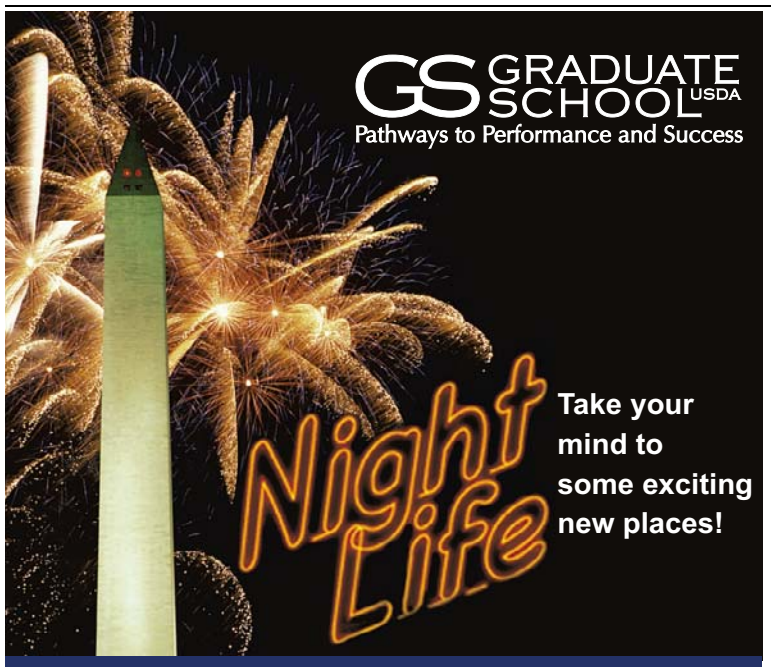
Brody Davis, left, and Ben Hindman, run quirky tour company DC by Foot.



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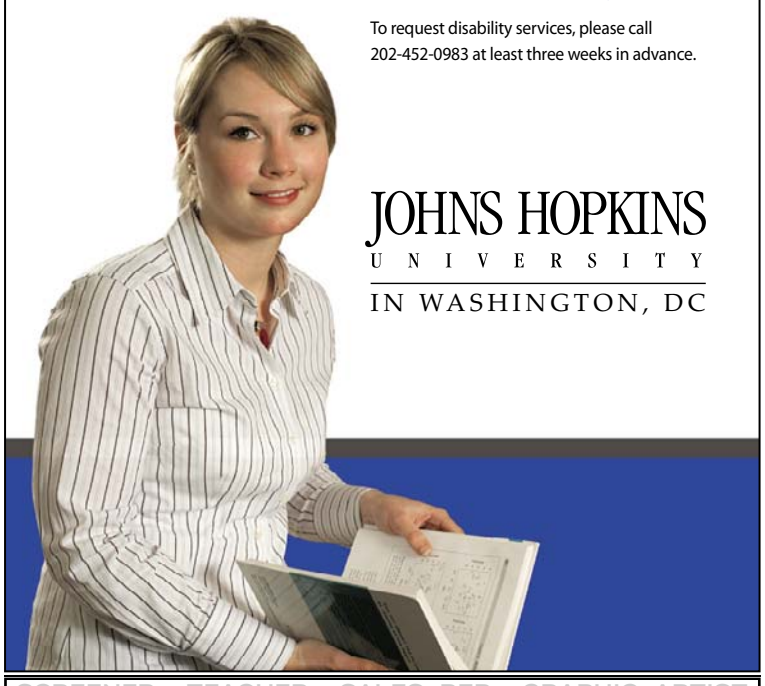

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America's first manga career book is full of magic — and real advice

One might be tempted to think that "The Adventures of Johnny Bunko" ($15, Riverhead Trade) is a joke, or at the very least, mis-shelved. What's this comic book doing in the career section, anyway? But author Daniel Pink, who last year received a fellowship to study manga (Japanese comics) in Japan, is serious about his new manga-style business book. The thin volume contains six "big-picture" career lessons ("Persistence trumps talent," for example) about how to succeed in today's workplace, delivered by a bevy of big-eyed, small-mouthed characters slogging away in cube hell. Sailor Moon this definitely ain't.

RACHEL KAUFMAN

ART FROM "JOHNNY BUNKO," COURTESY OF RIVERHEAD TRADE

Everyman Johnny Bunko is visited by a mysterious sprite-like career counselor.

Why does America need a manga career book?

Maybe not all of America, but there are several million readers who need it. A lot of career information is available online, like how to go on a job interview or what to put in your resume. That kind of info shouldn't be in books. But what can a book do that Google can't? I think it can give people big-picture information in a way that is more fun, more compelling, and more memorable than a Web site can. So, I decided to use this incredibly expressive form of manga to give people six lessons about careers that I wish I had known 25 years ago, and to do it in a way that is fun.

How did you become interested in manga?

I saw manga becoming very popular here. ... It was basically a no-brainer to try to do one. We [as a culture] have mistakenly said that this is a medium that's only for kids when there's proof that it's not. In Japan, manga is for everybody. You can get a manga political tract, a guide to time management, or history, or whatever.

How did the format influence the content or vice versa?

I'm a writer; I'm not a comic book person. Most of the stuff I've created in my professional life has had things like sentences and paragraphs. One of the joys about working with Rob [Ten Pas] is that he taught me how powerful the images could be. I wrote scenes and Rob would sketch it out and I would say, "Oh, man, this is totally overwritten."

Is it tough convincing people to pick up a book that is stereotyped as a kids' product?

I think that some people don't get it until they actually touch the book. And that emphasizes the — I don't want to get too highfalutin on the cultural theory here — but books are physical products. I think there's something about the physicalness that is valuable. Once people hold it and turn the pages, I think they become very absorbed in the story.

So, where do your six principles about work come from?

A lot of it came from my previous two books about work, which took me to a number of college campuses to talk about those ideas. Many of those people who are 20 years younger than I am were operating under the same false premises I was under when I was their age. So, I started thinking about

the sorts of things that I know now that I wish I had known as a 20-something.

Like the pointlessness of a 10-year plan?

I knew from my first day of college that I was going to go to law school, which is just preposterous when I think about it. I'm almost embarrassed to tell you. When I got to my early 20s, I was realizing the uselessness of a carefully architected plan and decided to live with a certain amount of ambiguity. [But I still went to law school.] I went, hell, yes, I went. I'm a slow learner. I graduated from law school, but I never practiced law.

Right now, if you ask me what's my plan for the next 10 years, I gotta tell you I really don't have one. Part of me is a little worried about that, but I think that the greater danger is having a plan only to alleviate your anxiety.

So, how do you answer the "Where do you want to be in five years?" interview question?

Tell the truth. I would say, "You know what? I'm not sure what I'm going to be doing in five years or 10 years, but here's what I'm good at. And what's more important, here's how I can solve your problem." I think that so much of these job interviews are just kabuki theater; rehearsed questions and answers. I think this would be a really refreshing answer.

How do you read this book?

One of the big takeaways of studying manga in Japan is speed. Manga is built to move fast, to the point where some manga publishers and editors will time readers to make sure they're reading it quickly. The goal of this book was that people could read it in less than an hour. If it takes longer, then I've failed. But then people tell me they've read it in five minutes and I say, "You've missed the point — you haven't even looked at the pictures!"

ART FROM "JOHNNY BUNKO," COURTESY OF RIVERHEAD TRADE

LOOK LIKE YOUR JOB? At the fictional Boggs Corp., it's work, work and more work until Johnny learns the Six Bunko Lessons from a genie who pops out of magical chopsticks. It's not a joke; it's just manga!

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